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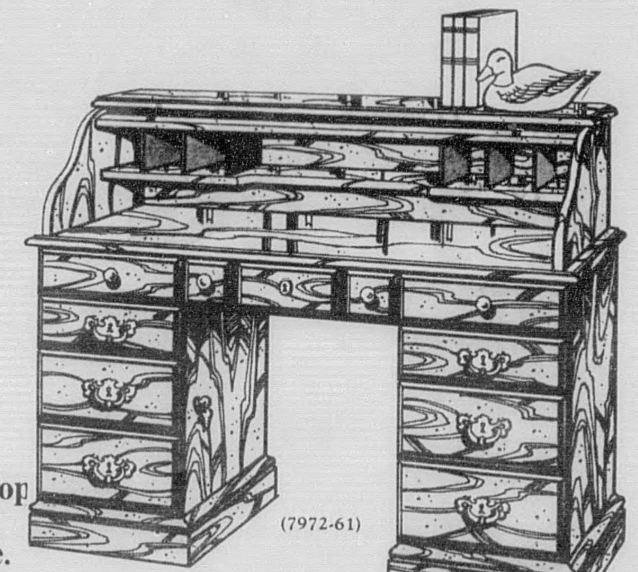

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MELVIN ARNOLD . . . is escorted from the Coffee County Courthouse by Deputy Sheriff Leslie Hussey following his initial arrest on sex charges in February, 1986. Arnold was sentenced Tuesday after pleading guilty to three of five charges.

Arnold sentenced to nine-year mandatory prison sentence for sex-related convictions

A rural Coffee County man arrested in February, 1986, on a variety of sex-related charges was sentenced to a mandatory sentence of nine years in prison this week by Circuit Judge Riley Green during a brief court appearance in Elba.

Melvin Arnold of the Jack Community, was arrested last year and charged with two counts of producing obscene matter involving a person under the age of 17 and one count each of second degree sodomy, second degree rape and first degree sexual abuse after Arnold's wife called the Coffee County Sheriff's Dept. officers upon discovering a video-tape allegedly showing the accused involved in a number of sex acts with his stepdaughter and another minor. Sheriff's deputies later discovered a large number of obscene photographs apparently taken by Arnold showing one or more young females in various sexual activities.

Arnold, who was transferred to a state mental facility to determine his mental condition, changed his defense during early hearings and reportedly told authorities first that he did not know of the matter and then changed his mind, stating he removed the girls' clothing to check for red wasps that were around the house.

At an Oct. 7, 1986, hearing Arnold agreed to a plea bargaining arrangement and changed his plea from not guilty to guilty to three of the charges. In response to the change of pleas, the state dropped the charges of second degree rape and first degree sexual abuse.

At the hearing on Tuesday, Jan. 6, Judge Green told Arnold that the remaining charges of second degree sodomy and two counts of producing obscene matter involving persons under the age of 17 carried sentences ranging from one-to-ten years to life in prison. Arnold told the judge he understood the possible sentences and reaffirmed his pleas of guilty.

District Attorney Joel Folmar, in a pre-sentencing statement, told Judge Green that the state would make no recommendation concerning the sentencing and stated the state would let the evidence submitted in court serve as its recommendation.

After defense attorney Bill Stokes declined pre-sentencing arguments, Judge Green stated, "It is not a pleasant task that I must do," and then announced that Arnold would be sentenced to the maximum penalty of ten years on the charge of second degree sodomy and a term of 15 years to each charge of producing obscene matter involving persons under the age of 17.

Stokes then requested the judge allow the sentences to run concurrently; however, the judge denied the motion.

Judge Green then stated that under the "Split-Sentence Act" he would deduct the days Arnold had been in confinement from each of the sentences, reducing one sentence to nine years and 213 days, and the other two sentences to 14 years and 213 days. Green then further changed the sentences and reduced the actual sentence in each case to three years, but made the sentences mandatory and consecutive, which means Arnold must serve a total of nine years without any chance of parole.

The remainder of the sentences were suspended upon the completion of the nine-year prison sentence; however, at the completion of the nine-year term a probationary review will be held, and if at any time during the period of the remainder of the original 40-year total sentence Arnold is convicted of similar offenses he will be returned to prison to serve out the remainder of the complete sentence.

Stokes requested Judge Green reduce the sentence to probation and stated that since October Arnold had been living in Florida with relatives and added that the defendant suffered from a serious disability that prevented him from acquiring gainful employment.

"Melvin Arnold can live out his probation in Florida," stated Stokes, "and live a constructive life in Florida with his relatives, but I feel Melvin Arnold is entitled to a second chance!"

Judge Green again denied Stokes' motion and ordered Deputy Sheriff Tom Weeks to escort Arnold from the courtroom. Arnold sobbed and grasped his chest following the final sentencing, and as he left the courtroom was crying, "I didn't do it," a final statement prior to his nine-year confinement.

Elba council gives hazard pay to city policemen

The Elba City Council met Dec. 29, 1986, in the final regular meeting of 1986. A short special meeting was held Wednesday, Dec. 31, to finish some continued business from the regular meeting.

The sale of Dorsey Trailers to a private group of investors led lawyers to request a resolution from the city council formally abandoning portions of several streets and alleys that have long been unused. In fact, parts of the described streets are under existing Dorsey facilities.

The streets included in the action are a portion of Dunham Street, Collins Avenue and an abandoned portion of an alley near the old railroad bed, which is now owned by Dorsey Trailers.

The resolution was presented by Attorney Robert Cannon and the council tabled any action until the legality of the action could be checked with the League of Municipalities the following day.

Following this action the council met in special session Wednesday and formally approved the action. They checked the legality and the fact that none of the streets and alleys are being used by the public in any way at this time. The action was approved unanimously.

In other action at the Monday meeting the council approved hazard pay for police officers, discussed hunting in city limits, and abandoned cars parked on city streets.

Elba police officers will receive an additional $25 a month as hazard pay as of January 1. An officer must work a full 120 hours a month to receive this pay, and it will be paid in a separate check at the end of the month, according to Mayor Bob English.

Councilman John W. Sharpless opposed the motion, saying he favored the pay increase but was opposed to calling it hazardous duty pay. English explained that unless it was a hazardous duty pay, it would be hard to explain to other employees why it was not an across-the-board raise for everyone.

Ricky Haywood appeared before the council to protest hunters discharging firearms near his home. It was pointed out during the discussion that there is a city ordinance against such actions; however, there is no law against carrying a hunting weapon within the city limits, and Police Chief John White explained it would be hard to

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Wet/Dry election challenge in Elba is dismissed

The efforts of a group of Elba residents to have the results of the city's recent wet/dry election declared null and void due to voting irregularities came to an end last week when Circuit Judge Sam Adams granted the city's request to dismiss the challenge.

A hearing was held on Dec. 22 after the city filed a motion to dismiss the election challenge and Judge Adams took the case under study; however, on Dec. 29 Adams announced he had reviewed the case at length and granted the city's motion for dismissal.

A wet/dry referendum election was held in Elba on Nov. 4 as a part of the state's general election and the voters of Elba chose to remain dry by a narrow margin. Following the election a number of Elba residents filed a challenge to the election claiming that misconduct, fraud or corruption had occured and called for the vote to be set aside and declared null and void.

In his ruling, Judge Adams stated that while the statute controlling the vote was found in the Code of Alabama, nowhere in the code section did it provide for election challenges. The judge stated that the election contest was not found in the common law since it had been statutorily created.

In the ruling, Adams wrote "Elections belonging to the political branch of government, and, in the absence of special constitutional or statutory provisions, are beyond the control of judicial power."

Adams ruled that the challenge asked the court to apply the election challenge found at Code 1975, Section 17-15-1 et seq.; however, the judge stated the provisions listed only applied to the election of persons. He further stated that the plantiffs' allegations were without merit and granted the motion for dismissal.

Decision to be appealed

Elba attorney Bill Stokes announced this week that he would file an appeal to the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals in an attempt to have a recent ruling by Circuit Judge Sam Adams overturned concerning a challenge to the City of Elba's recent election on the controversial wet/dry issue.

Judge Adams ruled on Dec. 28 (see related article) in favor of the city's motion to have the challenge dismissed, stating the law failed to provide for challenges in any election not concerning the election of persons.

Stokes, who represents a group of Elba citizens challenging the election because of alleged "misconduct, fraud or corruption," stated the statute in question did not specifically provide for such a challenge, but did provide that such election be in accord with the law as such in any other municipal election.

Stokes reported the appeal would be filed within the 30-day deadline and would be heard by a three-judge review panel.

This concrete culvert, which houses a flapper valve to control excess water, sits near the bottom of the levee after falling approximately 15 feet due to erosion following heavy fall rains. Officials report the erosion poses a serious threat to the levee, located at the Beaverdam Creek Bridge on the Kinston Highway.

Erosion problem provides threat to levee

Officials from the Corps of Engineers were in Elba on Tuesday, Jan. 6, to inspect a portion of the levee surrounding the city, and following the inspection stated the problem of erosion at one flood gate had progressed to such a severe state that the levee itself was now threatened.

City work crews discovered erosion damage to a gate located near the Kinston Highway at the Beaverdam Creek Bridge in November, 1986, following a period of heavy rain, and contacted the Corps concerning possible danger to the structure. The Corps sent inspectors to the site for a primary look and this week a large group of officials returned to the site to check on the erosion and document the actual damage to the levee.

A Corps of Engineers spokesman stated following the inspection that the leaching around the culvert at the levee had led to a major erosion problem and the erosion had progressed toward the levee itself. The problem gradually led to the concrete culvert at the levee dropping approximately 15 feet to ground level and resulted in a concrete pipe breaking, which caused the flapper valve which controlled the flow of water to become inoperative. The spokesman added that in the case of heavy rains high water would have free access to the area inside the levee.

The city and the Corps of Engineers will repair the damage to the gate and the levee in a joint effort to insure the continued integrity of the structure.

Corps of Engineers officials stated the work on the levee would begin as soon as a project cost estimate and time schedule could be finalized and the project was approved by the regional office in Atlanta.

The city is expected to begin removal of trees and plant growth as soon as possible.

OFFICIALS DISCUSS LEVEE PROBLEM . . . Officials from the Corps of Engineers and City of Elba met atop the levee Tuesday morning to discuss severe structural damage caused by heavy rains in November. The Corps and city will combine manpower to correct the problem, which is expected to preserve the integrity of the structure, which protects Elba from floodwaters.

Brainstorms

By Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The University of Alabama has a new athletic director and a new football coach. We salute the choice and like what the men have had to say about their ideas on why young men go to college. Now if they can just win football games all will be okay. We expected some flak from fanatic football fans, but frankly are appalled that nuts would actually call and threaten death to members of the administration. It shows just how far out of hand this matter has gotten. In defense of Alabama graduates, however, we doubt a single one of them has little enough brains to take such action. That is the true redneck that Alabama citizens still have around in the corners doing such things. There are however good, loyal citizens who take their football too seriously, and they ain't all Alabama fans. Just a few years ago Auburn fans were crying because Pat Dye had University of Alabama ties and wasn't a product of the Auburn system. Last month however they had long forgotten that, while they cherished the recent win over their cross-state rivals. Nationally, cooler heads are insisting that colleges educate these youngsters to earn a living and make the world a better place to live. Our state colleges must follow this trend, even if we choose not to be the leader. This means we must realize it isn't the end of the world if we don't win every football game or beat our cross-state rival. I enjoy a football game as much as anyone and see more than most of our readers, but when it is over, it is over, and I soon forget the score and return to making a living for my family.

The wet-dry issue in Elba still isn't dead. The court ruled there can be no lawsuit over the matter; however, that will be appealed. We agree there is no real challenge to the election, but would rather have had the judge say "no law was broken." Anyway, if it stays in court for a year or so, it will be moot, as it would be time to call a new election if there are still folks wanting the matter changed.

The trillion dollar (that is a 1 followed by 12 zeros) recently approved by the Reagan administration is - well a monster. We are not clear about some of the figures - or more accurately, the reasoning behind some of the figures in the budget. Right now we don't approve the increases in the defense budget, or at least the distribution of those funds. Also, some of the cuts in food for the poor and aid to families with dependent children will surely cause an outcry, to say nothing of the 16 percent reduction in the farm program. While we are reading about the need to help more with the higher education of middle income college students, the budget calls for a 24.5 percent cut in funds in this area also. Speaking from personal experience, those of us who don't get those federal grants know that families making much less simply can't send a child to college. We expect to see a lot of changes when Congress gets into budget hearings. We hope they cut some of the foreign aid and take care of the folks at home a little better first. We might note that even this budget calls for more deficit spending, with the feds expecting to borrow 11 percent of this spending.

We don't make New Year's resolutions to promptly break, but we did make one promise to ourself. Our refrigererator was overflowing with food from various holiday gatherings and I decided to clear it out by the end of the day Thursday. Well, there was more than I thought, and even with help from the children it took a couple days longer than I thought. Even then we wouldn't have made it without the help of a microwave oven that makes some foods better the second time around.

San Juan, Puerto Rico, folks had things a lot worse than we did, that is - those in that big hotel with the fire had it worse. The debate is still on over whether or not the union members set the fire. We surely can't answer that and doubt anyone will ever know exactly or by whom the fire was started. However, there is one problem solved and that is the discussion over a contract for the union about to go on strike. Since the hotel will be closed a long, long time, there is no need for any kind of contract now except for lawyers and cleanup crews. Whoever started the fires, we find it hard to believe they expected the terrible results they got on New Year's Eve.

The new year is upon us. A lot of celebrating went on and a lot of activity centered around "not drinking and driving." Well that didn't bother me either way. I was in bed by 9:30 or 10 p.m. and didn't even hear the discharge of fireworks that always accompany the magic hour. I did have some cleanup to do the next day however. My wife and daughter stuck a car on a rural road while retrieving our No. 2 son from a party of children at a friend's house. They just left the vehicle and let the friends bring them home. Therefore, Thursday morning the rest of the family got into the act and had to go get the vehicle off that slick hill. Boy, am I glad it wasn't me that caused them to be on that slick road at 10 p.m. with the rain pouring down and them a mile or so from the closest paved road!

Proctor and Gamble Company for years has had to fight a crazy rumor they say actually hurts their business. A story that just will not die continues to circulate around the country, and with the help of a lot of good church folks. The story contends the company advocates Satan worship, and written flyers handed out contend the president of the company had admitted donations to support such actions. This is pure stupid -- nothing of the sort ever happened. The company has even filed lawsuits when people stood up in church and urged boycott of their products because of it. We recently saw another copy of the original wild flyer and it has been copied so many times it is getting almost unreadable, but is still being circulated with the statement "recently appeared," even though it was first typed years ago. Don't be stupid and get you one of these lawsuits -- just keep your mouth shut.

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Ricky,

Again we approach the end of another decade for Elba Nursing Home. January 1, 20 years ago, we opened our doors for those SENIOR citizens who could not longer live alone.

Many things have been done that have been beneficial in the lives of those who have lived with us. Our lives, as staff have been enhanced by having known these wonderful people. I would like to thank you and all the others who have done so much physically and monetarily to make their lives a little brighter. The smallest thing can mean so much to those who are unable to be out and do for themselves. We realize we cannot add years to a person's life, but we can strive to add life to their remaining years. With your continued support we feel that much will be accomplished through the efforts of those who have given so willingly.

May God Bless each of you, and we at Elba Nursing Home wish you all a PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Sincerely,
Elba Nursing Home
/s/ Lorene R. Bryan
Administrative Assistant

Dear Ricky,

Many times we are remiss to thank others for the things they have done for us.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the very nice coverage you have given the rescue squad during the past year. You have been most cooperative in news coverage of the squad and it has helped keep the happenings of the squad before the people in the community.

We endeavor to have an outstanding squad but its to no avail if the publicity is not there.

You have helped in more ways than we can count and we do appreciate it.

We would also like to wish you, your staff, and family a Merry Christmas and a Good New Year.

Sincerely yours,
Sonny Inman
Captain

Dear Ferrin:

Let me take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Elba for so generously providing toys for "Operation Santa Claus." I appreciate so very much their willingness to share with others and wish that each and everyone could have been present to see the happy smiles and excitement when the children received the toys.

Thank you again Elba Citizens for your care for others at this special time of year.

Sincerely,
Glenda M. Frazier
Community Resource Specialist

Council

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write a law to cover this unless someone was actually seen firing their gun within the city limits. Haywood lives in the Forrest Lake Subdivision.

Chief White was instructed to discuss this matter with the city attorney and find out what can legally be done to stop the hunting near occupied dwellings. Mayor English also instructed White to use police car sirens in the meantime, any time hunting was reported in the area. He said he felt this would discourage deer and deer dogs from entering the area.

Parking of cars on public streets drew a lengthy discussion after one council member noted some wrecked and otherwise unused automobiles were being parked on public streets and causing problems for other motorists.

During the discussion it was explained that parking on any street that wasn't in a designated parking area was against the law. Any such action could cause the owner to be charged in the event of an accident, even though the offending auto was parked and the owner ten miles away.

No action was taken, but the police will watch the matter and ask owners of cars causing excessive problems to please move them.

Our Back-then Holiday Baking

By: FAYE BROWN

Our long-ago Christmas seasons were made special by holiday baking and by the joy of being together as a family.

During the great Depression and the rationing of WW II, Mama hoarded sugar from summertime onward for the holiday goodies. Serving as Santa's busy elf while we were away at school, she made taffy, chocolate fudge and caramels, the latter by browning white sugar in an iron skillet and using rich cream and fresh butter from our cows. These delicacies were hidden until Christmas morn.

Mama's fruitcake, although not made in secret, was a special treat every year. The peels from the oranges that Santa left one Christmas and from the lemons my uncle brought from the city on the fourth of July were saved, then candied and sealed in a fruit jar. But other ingredients, like the fig, pear and watermelon rind preserves, had their beginnings on our farm.

The mixing and baking of the fruitcake was a two-day family affair. On **Day One** the black walnuts were picked and chopped, the eggs were counted to make sure there were enough (we had been eating sawmill gravy for breakfast and skipping the eggs), and the quarts of preserves were drained, overnight, of their extra syrup.

Early the next morning, always a Saturday so everyone would be home, the fruitcake mixing would begin. I often took the one brown bag, saved specifically for that purpose, and cut it to fit the insides of Mama's old tube pan, the two bent loaf pans, and the one-pound coffee can. I would then grease the papers sparingly with lard, to make them stick to the pans' sides, and then I'd dust them ever so lightly with a little flour (and my youngest sister Trillie would dust the floor ever so heavily if I happened to turn my head.)

Mama would stand and supervise and even Daddy would keep popping in and out of the kitchen (often being the most helpful of all since he kept the baby from climbing onto the table). My brother Bill would take the large wooden spoon and use his strong muscles to cream the butter and the sugar til it was smooth as silk. Then my sister Frances would break the six eggs into the bowl and Bill would beat again and again, until it was all yellowish and frothy. Mama always measured the crucial things like salt and baking powder but she sometimes let the younger children put in a spoon of cinnamon or nutmeg, or dredge the precious pound of purchased raisins with some flour.

After everyone had had a part and everything was in the huge scalded dishpan for the final mixing, only the strongest ones could stir. But the others leaned on, or near, the table, contributing their "oohhhs" and their "aauuggggs." And when the pans were filled to Mama's specifications, there was always just enough left for everyone to have a little taste of the delicious concoction. The next three hours were a heavenly experience as the fragrance from the oven of the hot wood stove filled every crack and crevice of our old house.

When the cakes were removed from the oven one of the small loaves was cut for immediate sampling. But the largest, most beautiful cake was carefully wrapped in a clean guano sack and saved until Christmas Day.

If we were able to keep the hens laying there would be at least three more cakes baked for Christmas. On the morning of December 23 Mama would take one dozen eggs, separate them, and make a huge pound cake using the yokes. The whites would next become an angel food cake and a white cake to be stacked with caramel frosting or coconut, if we could afford one.

December 24 was bread day; it was the day Mama made two extra pones of cornbread to be used for the chicken dressing. And it was the time she put her yeast cake into a bowl with warm milk to begin the making of homemade rolls for the Christmas feast.

Christmas Eve was also the day Mama killed the largest hen she had which had shirked her laying duties. The chicken was scalded and plucked, then cleaned and set to simmering in our giant blue water-bath canner. It was destined for the dressing.

Nothing could quench our festive spirit on Christmas morn. Once as Mama baked the dressing and the homemade rolls the stovepipe fell, cascading soot onto the kitchen floor and making a horrible mess. However, Mama's laughter over the absurdity of it all seemed to increase our gaiety. And, as always - the Christmas meal turned out superb, the grand finale of our extended holiday baking.

MAMA'S FRUITCAKE RECIPE

1 quart fig preserves
1 quart watermelon rind preserves
1 quart pear preserves
1 lb. raisins (seedless)

2 quarts chopped black walnuts (or pecans or hickory nuts)
¼ cup candied orange peel
¼ cup candied lemon peel (optional)
½ cup all-purpose flour
1 cup butter (fresh churned if possible)
2 cups sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla flavoring

6 large eggs (gathered from hen house the previous day)

3½ cups all purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon allspice
1 teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon nutmeg

Drain preserves in colander overnight. Add raisins, nuts and candied fruit. Dredge in 1/2 cup flour.

Cream butter and sugar til light and fluffy. Add vanilla. Add eggs to creamed mixture, one at a time, beating well after each.

Combine flour, baking powder, salt, allspice, cinnamon, nutmeg. Add to creamed mixture a little at a time. Beat until smooth after each addition. Pour over dredged fruits; mix.

Line pans with paper (two large tube pans and one loaf pan or one tube and three loaf pans). Grease and flour ever so lightly. Pour batter into pans, filling about half full. Do not flatten. Bake in 250° oven three to four hours.

Place pan containing 2 cups of water on bottom shelf of oven for first 2 hours to get greater volume, moist texture, shiny glaze. (Pans of cake may be covered lightly, with tents of foil, if they become browned too quickly -- this is a modern hint not possible when Mama baked our cake.)

Cool. Remove from pan and wrap in clean guano sack til Christmas.

OBITUARIES

LEON W. NICHOLSON

Mr. Leon W. Nicholson, age 69, of New Brockton, died Friday, January 2, 1987, in an Enterprise hospital.

Funeral services were held January 4, at 2 p.m. from the New Brockton First Baptist Church, with Rev. Rex Henderson officiating. Burial was in New Brockton City Cemetery, with Searcy Funeral Home of Enterprise directing.

Survivors include his **wife,** Mrs. Voncille Nicholson, New Brockton; four **daughters:** Mrs. Sherlene Newton, Elba; Mrs. Loretta Thornton, Enterprise; Mrs. Patricia Edwards and Mrs. Lynn Mauldin, both of New Brockton; two **sisters:** Mrs. Willie Strickland, New Brockton; Mrs. Myrt Dawkins, San Antonio, Tex.; one **brother** - Robert Nicholson, New Brockton; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

MSG JAMES E. CROSBY

MSG James E. Crosby, (Ret.), age 56, a resident of Troy, died Monday, Jan. 5, 1987, in a Dothan hospital.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Jan. 7, at 2 p.m. from Calvary Baptist Church, with Rev. Charles Brunner officiating. Burial followed in Green Hills Memorial Park with military rites at the grave site. Dillard Funeral Home directed.

Survivors include his **wife,** Mrs. Anita Crosby, Troy; three **daughters:** Joyce C. DiMillo and Patty Nymeyer, both of Mentone, Calif.; Jane E. Crosby, Eufaula; one **son:** Bill Crosby, Montgomery; one **sister:** Grace Farris, Elba; one **brother:** John W. Crosby, Elba; four grandchildren; two sons-in-law - Russell Nymeyer and Ernie DiMillo, both of Mentone, Calif.; several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Kidney Foundation or to Calvary Baptist Church.

FRANK H. CAPPS

Mr. Frank H. Capps, Rt. 2, New Brockton, died January 2, 1987, in Humana Hospital-Enterprise. He was 76.

Funeral services were held January 5, at 10 a.m. from Ino Assembly of God, with Rev. Bud Goodson officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include three **sons:** J.D. Capps, Willie Von Capps and Billy Gene Capps, all of Enterprise; two **daughters:** Mary Scarbrough, Bellwood; Betty Kilpatrick, New Brockton; one **sister:** Isabell Owens, Hattiesburg, Miss.; 18 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren.

VENSTON MORROW BRAGG

Mr. Venston Morrow Bragg, Rt. 2, Troy, age 69, died January 5, 1987, in Edge Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services were held January 7, at 2 p.m. from Hebron Baptist Church, with Rev. Larry Doster and Rev. Rodney Crutchfield officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his **wife:** Bessie Ree Mathis Bragg, Rt. 2, Troy; two **daughters:** Nell Kelly, Troy; Edna Mobley, Jack; two **sons:** Tim Bragg, Jack; Tex Bragg, Montgomery; one **brother:** Dock Bragg, Jack; one **sister:** Odean Thomas, Phenix City; 11 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

VONCILE RUSHING

Mrs. Voncile Rushing, age 78, of Rt. 5, Elba, died January 6, 1987, in Elba General Hospital.

Funeral services were held January 8, at 2 p.m. from Elba Church of Christ with Minister Bob Prichard officiating. Burial followed in Zoar Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include two **sons:** Hayes Rushing and Leroy Rushing, both of Elba; three **daughters:** Jane Goneburg, Enterprise; Maylene Grimes, Elba, and Edna Stewart, Mobile; three **brothers:** Bill Bryan, Edlow Bryan and Foy Bryan, all of Elba; five **sisters:** Edelle Crocker, Pearl Skipper, Mary Agnes Cook, Mildred Kemp and Maerene Nelson, all of Elba; 25 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

MARY DONALDSON

Mrs. Mary Donaldson, age 55, of Rt. 3, Elba, died Thursday, January 1, 1987, in her home.

Funeral services were held Jan. 3, at 2 p.m. from the Marvin Chapel Assembly of God Church, with Revs. Walter Kimmey and Buford Bradley officiating. Burial followed in Marvin Chapel Cemetery with Searcy Funeral Home of Enterprise directing.

Survivors include her **husband,** Robert L. Donaldson, Rt. 3, Elba; one **daughter** - Mrs. Mary Lynne Mack, Opp; one **son** - Dennis Donaldson, Elba; three **sisters** - Mrs. B.C. Vinson, Loxley; Mrs. Juanita Ogburn, Dothan; Mrs. Barbara Ann Johnson, Enterprise; two **brothers** - Ralph L. Cawley, Enterprise; Johnny Cawley, Pensacola, Fla.

Tom Casaday To Be Honored On Retirement

A retirement reception for Tom C. Casaday will be held Sunday, January 11, in the Community Room at the Farm Center in New Brockton, beginning at 2 p.m.

Casaday has retired as Coffee County's farm agent after almost 30 years of service.

A number of organizations with which Casaday has worked is expected to be on hand to honor him on this occasion.

He served in the 4-H area in his initial years with the county, becoming active in other areas of agriculture in later years. He has been active in community service with the Enterprise Lions Club, the Enterprise YMCA, the Enterprise United Fund and Chamber of Commerce, as well as various farm organizations.

The public is invited to share in this reception.

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EASTERN STAR - 2nd & 4th Thur. 7 p.m.
ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - Thur 8 a.m. - Ye Old Hickory Pit
JAYCEES - 1st & 3rd Thur. 7 p.m. Beaver Dam Restaurant
CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Mon. 6 p.m.
LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. 7 p.m. Beaver Dam Rest.
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thur. 5 p.m. Supt. Office
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thur. 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
BOY SCOUTS - Mon. 7 p.m. Over old City Hall.
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. 7 p.m. Library
WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Tues. 5 p.m. City Hall.
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AA - Wed. 8 p.m. & Sun. 6 p.m. Sr. Citizens Bldg.
BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. 7 p.m. Band Room
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE - Tues & Thur. 8:30-4:30, 897-2924
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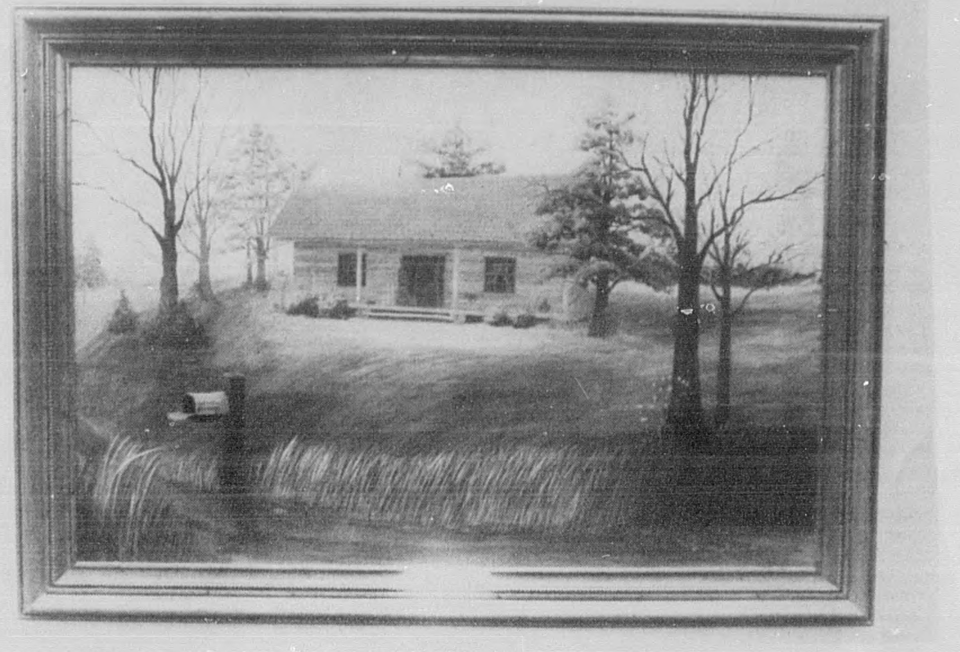


The Brunson Home - The County's Oldest

Judge Brunson's Love For "Our County" Adds Beauty To Courthouses

A famous philosopher once said that "The past is a dream, the future a mist."

These words are certainly true; however, through the efforts of Coffee County Probate Judge Marion B. Brunson the rich past of Coffee County will be much more than just a dream as the popular probate judge and former school teacher preserves the county's history in a collection of custom paintings labeled "Landmarks Collection of Probate Judge Marion B. Brunson."

The beautiful Landmarks Collection has been an idea of Judge Brunson's for many years and became a reality recently when local artist Mary Louise Collier agreed to put the judge's ideas on canvas to be displayed in the county courthouses in Elba and Enterprise.

"I love Coffee County and have always been fascinated with its history," Brunson stated, "and I decided to have the paintings done in an effort to preserve the heritage of the county and to enhance the beauty of the courthouses. The county commission has worked with me in recent years in doing extensive renovations to both the county courthouses and, and the addition of the collection of paintings only adds to the courthouses's natural historical beauty.

"Many times people admire a landmark or site and then when it's no longer around wish they had a means of remembering it through a picture. By having these paintings done for the residents of Coffee County I hope the county's rich history and beauty will live forever!"

The Landmarks Collection will include a total of 12 county landmarks when completed later this year, and seven paintings are already on display at the courthouse in Elba.

The paintings on display include the old Elba City School building, a two-story building torn down in the 1940's; the old Elba train depot, the hub of activity in the early days of Coffee County, located in the Newtown area of Elba before its demolition; the Elba hydro dam, once a source of energy for the citizens of Elba; the Brunson home, the first residence in the county, located near Elba until its recent move to Enterprise; the Perry-Bess Store, located in the Perry Store Community, long a site for residents to gather and share stories, play dominoes and purchase household goods; the Prestwood Mill, located in the north portion of the county, a mill that served as a means of grinding meal and flour for over 150 years, and the Alms House, located atop Brunson Hill in Elba that served the needs of the indigent of the county.

"Mrs. Collier has done an outstanding job with all the paintings," said Brunson, "and future paintings to be done include each courthouse, the county jail and the Boll Weevil Monument. The collection of historic paintings is strictly a project of mine and is a gift from me to the citizens of Coffee County. When I leave office I hope the future leaders of the county will keep the paintings on display, but if they don't I can assure you they will find an honored place at my home."

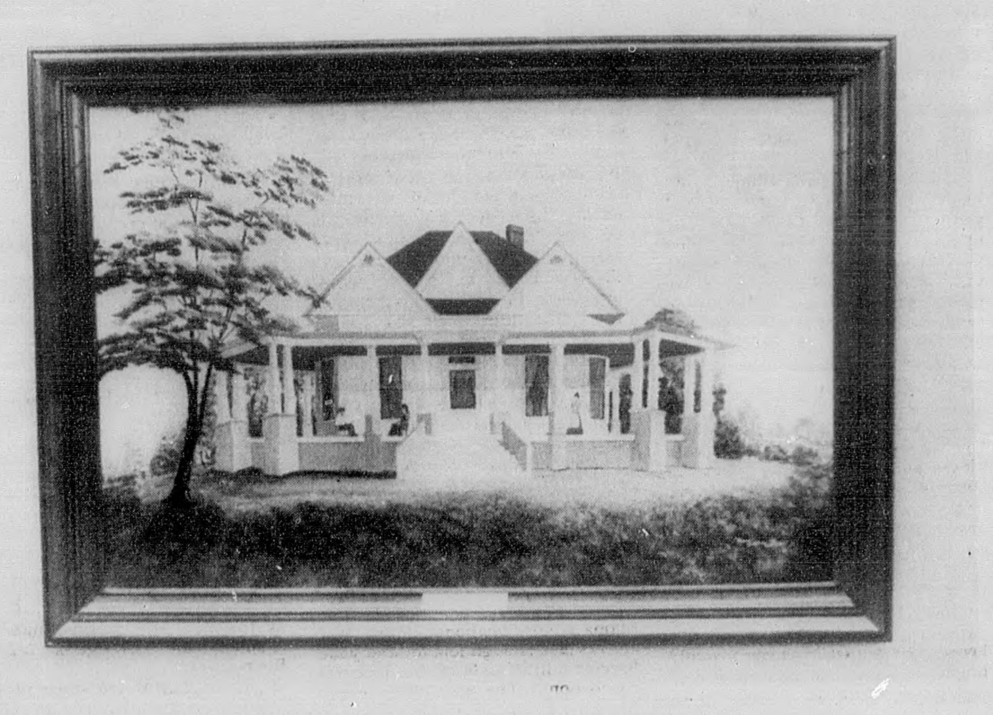
Judge Brunson, author of two books dealing with the history of Coffee County, also approached the Art Department at Enterprise State Junior College about the possibility of having art students paint numerous historical scenes around the county; and to date the students have added greatly to the preservation of history in the county.

In the Elba courthouse are paintings of both the Elba Methodist and Baptist churches, the Boll Weevil Monument and Cole's Bridge, the last wooden bridge used in the county.

The students have donated a total of 14 paintings for display at the two courthouses and promise more in the future.

"Some may think it's foolish to attempt to preserve the past through paintings," said Brunson, "but what we are is based on where our ancestors came from, and we can all learn a lot about where we've been and where we're going by studying history.

"I know everyone doesn't share my love for the county and its rich heritage, but for those who do these paintings will always be around to bring back fond memories of days gone by."



The Alms House For The Elderly & Indigent

Elba United Methodist Church

ELBA POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Dept. reported a busy week with a total of 4 arrests (criminal trespass, harassment and failure to appear) and 8 traffic citations (speeding - 5, driving with suspended license, improper tag and expired tag). Following are daily activity reports:

TUESDAY, DEC. 30

Activity included a disturbance at the washateria on Jones St. (10:12 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 31

Activity included a wreck at the Flower Patch (11:16 a.m.) and a complaint of kids shooting pellet guns on Smith Ave. (12:29 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JAN. 1

Activity included a burglary at Pope's Building Supply (6:06 a.m.) and a fight at Elba Villas (5:50 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JAN. 2

Activity included a wreck on County Road 60 with injuries (12:26 a.m.), a wreck on Yelverton St. (9:44 a.m.) and a disturbance at Morrow Village (7:40 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JAN. 3

Activity included a subject shooting on Forest Lake Drive (8:48 a.m.) and a wreck on County Road 21 (5:28 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JAN. 4

Activity included a disturbance at the Little Beaver (3:26 p.m.).

MONDAY, JAN. 5

Activity was routine.

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CONSERVATION DEPT. REPORT

Deer Scrapes — Provide Valuable Clues To Hunters

By: Gary Moody

Deer hunters and deer signs go together just as closely as anything you can name. Listen to a deer hunter relate his exploits and it is certain you will hear about the number of tracks he saw, the size of trees the bucks were using for rubs, and many other items relating to scouting.

Another sign that hunters have become more aware of in the past few years is the scrape. A scrape is a shallow, oval depression made by a buck that may be as much as 3 feet in length. The scrape is created by the hooves of the deer. Most scrapes are located under overhead branches under which the buck often antler fights. It is also common for the buck to chew on a branch and to rub them with scent from his forehead glands. As a final touch, the buck will urinate on his finished product to mark it as his.

Studies indicate scrape building begins a couple of weeks prior to the rut. A buck may build many scrapes and abandon all but a few. They serve as a sign post built by the dominant buck to mark his territory and to warn lesser males of his presence. Does also visit the scrape and leave their scent. The scent of those does that are in estrous (breeding condition) can be detected by the buck. The doe can be trailed from that location.

The scrape may be visited by a doe at most any time during the day. The same is true for younger bucks in the population. However, mature bucks are more cautious in their approach. They probably only check the scrape once every two to three days. They may visit the site after dark or they may make their check by passing on the downwind side while staying concealed in vegetation.

To a human observer, a scrape may appear to be nothing more than a depression in the ground. To the buck deer, it is an important communication with other deer in the area.

For additional information on deer and deer hunting opportunities, contact Mr. Gary Moody, 64 Union Street, Montgomery, AL 36130. Mr. Moody is Assistant Chief of Wildlife for Management and Development, which includes the public hunting areas of the state.

Kinston Fifth Grade 4-H Club Holds Meeting

December 10, 1986, the 5th grade 4-H Club of Kinston Elementary met.

The president, Julie Davis, called the meeting to order. We sang a song led by our longleaders Wendy Patterson and Tonya Drewery

Cindy Clark read the devotional. Misty Spivey led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H song. Denise Farris called the roll and read the minutes of our last meeting.

Mrs. Hughes told us who won in the picture contest:

1st - Wendy Patterson
2nd - Shannon Grace and Emily Moody
3rd - Taleah Ziglar and Emily Moody

Mrs. Hughes told us who won in the cookies:

1st - Christy Beavers
2nd - Emily Moody
3rd - Denise Farris

Taleah Ziglar and Denise Farris told about their projects.

Our president Julie Davis adjourned till our next meeting in January.

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DAVID DEBOER, 11, winner of the "Biggest Christmas Stocking in the World," given away by SouthTrust Bank on Dec. 19, is shown with bank president Oscar Vaughan. David is a resident of Smith Avenue in Elba.

GLENDA FRAZIER, (center) and Ron Smith of the Dept. of Human Resources begin the Operation Santa Claus in Elba a few days before Christmas. Many bags of toys were distributed to children in the area.

The Public Is Cordially Invited To Attend

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Interviews will be conducted January 5-14. Call 393-ESJC for more information or an appointment. Also check out traditional and non-traditional educational programs through ESJC.

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Miss Prescott

Miss Prescott To Wed Mr. Collier In April

Mr. and Mrs. Jack M. Prescott of Elba, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jacqueline Ann, to Mr. Samuel Claude Collier, son of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Collier, of Montgomery.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Norman Frazier Allday and the late Mr. and Mrs. Gordon M. Prescott of Elba.

The future groom is the grandson of Mrs. George E. Collier and the late Mr. Collier of Elba and the late Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley Brock of New Brockton.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Elba High School and the University of Alabama. She is a member of Alpha Delta Pi social sorority, Alpha Psi Omega Thespian society, and Gamma Beta Phi honor society. She is presently employed at Teague Middle School in the Aldine Independent School District of Houston, Texas, where she teaches speech and theatre arts.

The future groom is a graduate of Elba High School, the University of Alabama and Cumberland School of Law at Samford University. He is a member of Pi Kappa Phi social fraternity and Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity. He is presently employed with The Travelers Companies in Houston, Texas.

The wedding is planned for April 11, 1987, at three o'clock in the afternoon at the First Baptist Church of Elba.

No invitations will be sent locally. All friends are relatives are invited.

New Arrival

HALI ELISE GIBSON

Tim and Kim (Danford) Gibson announce the birth of a daughter, Hali Elise, on Oct. 31, 1986, at Huntsville Hospital, Huntsville. She weighed 7 lbs. 2 ozs. and measured 20 inches in length.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Danford and Mr. and Mrs. Edsel Gibson of Enterprise.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Danford of New Brockton; HEnry Smith and Margaret B. Smith, Elba; Mr. and Mrs. O.T. Dykes and Mrs. Mattie P. Gibson, Enterprise.

Great-great grandparents are Nannie Danford of New Brockton, and Mrs. Mittie Roberts, Enterprise.

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Jerome Rose To Perform In Enterprise January 16th

BY: JANET MOUNTS

The Coffee County Arts Alliance will present Jerome Rose, concert pianist, at the Enterprise High School, Friday, Jan. 16, at 8 p.m. Advance tickets at a reduced rate and tickets at the door will be available.

Rose is a member of the music faculty at Bowling Green University, Bowling Green, Ohio and an internationally known pianist. He Performed with the Houston Symphony in July of this year and will be featured with the Chicago Symphony in April of 1987.

He has also performed with the Berlin Philharmonic, London, Symphony, Vienna Symphony Opera, orchestras of San Carlo, Trieste, and Convent Gardens overseas, as well as most major symphonies in the United States.

The American born Rose, through his teachers, became artistic "grandchild" to Rubinstein, Lhevinne, Petri and Schanabel.

The Viennese pedagogue Adolf Baller was his mentor when, at 15, Rose debuted with the San Francisco Symphony under Fiedler and, at 17, accepted Rudolf Serkin's invitation to study and perform at Marlboro.

Serkin had a profound influence on the young pianist and subsequently recommended him to Leonard Shure. Rose studied under Shure while taking degrees at Mannes and Juilliard.

Rose was the winner of the Busoni Competition soon after his graduation from Juilliard. He has also received a Fulbright scholarship to study in Vienna, three Rockefeller Foundation Grants and a National Endowment for the Arts grant for the study and preservation of 19th century American piano music.

He was artistic director of London's First International Festival on the romantic movement in the arts in 1981 and in June of last year directed the Liszt Festival in Washington, D.C.

For his program in Enterprise Jan. 16 he will play Sonata in E-flat major, Op. 31, No. 3 by Ludwig Van Beethoven, Fantasia in C major, "Wanderer" by Franz Schubert and Sonata in B minor by Franz Listz.

Advance tickets may be purchased at the ITT Office, Ft. Rucker, The Plain 'n Fancey Framer Shop, Gallery II and Country Creations in Enterprise and the Jewel Box in Elba.

Janice A. Moates, right, accepts an award at the 44th annual meeting of the Alabama Association of Conservation Districts' on December 1, 1986, for being selected outstanding district secretary of the year. She has served in that capacity since August 15, 1977. Mrs. Moates lives in Coffee County with her husband David and 4-year-old daughter Amber. She is active in community organizations such as Coffee County Cowbelles, SWCD Ladies Auxiliary, and others. District officials say she is a "valuable employee of the Coffee County Soil and Water Conservation District."

State Personnel Department Lists Available Jobs

The Alabama State Personnel Dept. has announced examinations for filling present vacancies in the following positions:

*Rehabilitation Counselor III ($19,204 - $29,094)

*Administrative Analyst I ($20,670 - $31,356)

*Public Health Administrative Officer ($37,232 - $56,758)

**Clerk Stenographer III ($12,927 - $18,741)

**Clerk Typist III ($12,620 - $18,283)

**Attorney III ($32,136 - $48,906)

***Nutritionist I ($15,746 - $23,951)

Full information and application forms may be obtained from the State Personnel Dept. at Montgomery or from any local office of the State Employment Service.

*Applications for these positions should be filed by **Jan. 20, 1987.**

Applications for these positions should be filed by **Feb. 2, 1987.

***This position will be open **until further notice.**

News From Our Early Files

TEN YEARS AGO
JANUARY 6, 1977

***It was a cold, wet day and business was slow at the Farm and Garden Center across the street, and the Clipper editor took advantage of a napping Clyde Collier and photographed him as he relaxed on the carpet in his store.

***The children and grandchildren of D.F. Wilkes and E.A. Wilkes held their dual celebration of Christmas and birthday on Dec. 24 at the Elba Rec Center. Among those pictured in attendance is Mrs. Bertie Wilkes.

***"Old Brintle," 12-year-old cow on the George Bryan farm, gave birth on Dec. 23 to twin calves. Bryan said the calves were named "Luck" and "Luckier," because they barely escaped being killed by wild dogs.

***Buck Jackson is pictured with a 110-point deer he bagged on Dec. 29, which weighed 220 pounds. Pictured with him are David Stokes, Johnny Manning, Gina Stokes and Dennis Manning.

***Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lewis were the happiest two people in the world over the Christmas holidays, with their daughter, Sherrie, at home. She is a student at Alabama A&M University and will return to school Sunday . . . Mrs. James C. Talmadge of Atlanta, Ga., Mr. and Mrs. Bill Clark of Milton, Fla., and John C. Collegan Jr. from Ft. Benning, Ga., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. M.C. Wilkes during the holidays.

TWENTY YEARS AGO JANUARY 12, 1967

***Lurleen Wallace will become Alabama's first woman governor next Monday in what promises to be the biggest show of any to ever take place in the state of Alabama.

***County 4-H'ers pictured receiving pine seedlings from International Paper Company include: New Brockton - Sara G. Sawyer, Terry Adams, Larry Maddox, Paul Thomas; Goodman: Jan McIntosh, Donnie Kennington, Karen Bowden, Becky Donaldson, Jimmy Cooper; Ricky Childree, Stanley Key, Robin McDaniel, Kenneth Odom, Mark Donaldson, Steve Jones, Darrell Buxton, Ricky Hataway; New Hope: Danny Lewis, Eddie Bell, Bill Ward, Larry Doster, Wade Wilson, Anthony Alcuri

***Herman Dismukes, Elba native, announces the opening of Dismukes Ford in Enterprise.

***Mrs. W.S. Kelley has returned to her home in Elba after spending several weeks with relatives in Phenix City and Columbus, Ga.

***The Elba Improvement Women's Club met at Mulberry Heights High School Jan. 6 and elected the following new officers. Mrs. Annie Pearl Bullard, Mrs. Gladys Yelverton, Miss Shirley Hammonds, Mrs. Onnie B. Daniels, Mrs. Bettye Evans, Mrs. Gloria C. Dawson, Mrs. Gussie Adams, Mrs. Susie Lee, Mrs. M.O. Patton, advisor.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
JANUARY 10, 1957

***Pictured is the son of W.H. Prescott, manager at the Coffee County Pond, who has all he can do to hold up the two 5-lb. gass his do to hold up the two 5-lb. bass his father caught recently at the pond.

***Sam Kelley stated Monday that his father-in-law, Math Cook, who has been undergoing treatment for a heart ailment for several weeks, does not show much improvement and is still in serious condition.

***Mrs. Aliene English welcomed her son Paul and his family with a delightful steak dinner and surprise birthday party Saturday night. They are on leave from Norfolk, Va., where Lt. English is stationed. Those helping to celebrate were Judge and Mrs. Eris Paul, Capt. and Mrs. Lewey Morrow Jr., Montgomery; Mr. and Mrs. J. Doug Kendrick, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Knox Jeter, Midland, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. Jake L. Morrow, Mrs. June Byrd and son Tim.

***The three major divisions of Elba City Schools are represented on the Student Health Council; grammar school, junior and senior high students are Bert Casey, Dianne Larkins, Michael Fick, Norma Johnson, Roylene McDowell, Betty Ruth Clark, Sue Morrow, Jeanice Paul, Virginia Lee Dorsey.

***Byrd Jacobs left Tuesday morning via bus for Mobile to visit in the home of a daughter, Mrs. Bessie Cobb, for a month.

FORTY YEARS AGO
JANUARY 9, 1947

***Miss Mildred Lunsford has returned to Atlanta where she is attending a business school, after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Onie Wilkes, at Zion Chapel.

***Efforts are being made to organize a band in Elba, and instruments are badly needed. It has been reported that a number of people have instruments not in use now and the committee would like to locate them. If you have one, and wish to sell it, call Flournoy Whitman or Harold Deal.

***Mr. and Mrs. Willard Martin of Auburn spent the weekend in Elba. They returned to Auburn Monday accompanied by J. Doug Kendrick who enters API.

***Mrs. Minola Leibert and Miss Louise Leibert returned to Elba Saturday after a pleasant visit to Bill Leibert in Birmingham, and Mr. and Mrs. Tup Rushing in Gadsden.

***Mr. and Mrs. Doran Phelps of Rt. 1, New Brockton, announce the birth of a daughter on Dec. 17, 1946, whom they have named Myra Jean.

***Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moore were visitors in Brundidge last weekend as guests of Mr. and Mrs. G.R. Mallory.

Parkinson's Association To Begin Support Group In Dothan

The Dothan chapter of the Parkinson's Association of Alabama will have its first meeting at Flowers Hospital, classrooms A and B on Sunday, Jan. 11, at 2 p.m.

This group is being started for area Parkinson's disease patients and their families.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

Bible Verse

We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed.
2 Cor. 4:8-9

Kim George To Speak At Elba Methodist Church

Mr. Kermit (Kim) George, victim of an alligator attack in Open Pond last summer, will be guest speaker at the Elba United Methodist Church Sunday evening, Jan. 11, at the 6 o'clock service.

An electrical engineer, Kim will share his personal testimony arising out of his experience.

The public is cordially invited.

Church Of God To Have Barbecue

The Elba Church of God will have a barbecue Saturday, Jan. 10, with serving to begin at 10 a.m.

Regular plates will be $3.50; all meat plates - $4.00; barbecue by the pound - $6.00.

SANTESSA SMITH, age 4, Rt. 1, Elba, drew the winning ticket for the teddy bear given away at The Peoples Bank on Dec. 24. Santessa is shown with Kenneth Grantham of The Peoples Bank who presented the bear to her.

MARTIN'S
ON THE SQUARE IN ELBA 897-2236

Twas The Night Before Christmas.

This Is Anna And Sarah Beth
We Think Grandpa Is Getting Ready
To Have A S-A-L-E Starting Jan. 22..............

Greetings From Faith Chapel

In today's daily activities, do we forget to thank God for all of His many blessings? Well, we all hear this, "God hasn't given me anything." But, He has blessed us all so abundantly; if you have eyesight to read this letter, praise God for it.

If you have shoes on your feet, a roof over your head, clothes on your back, a place to sleep and food to eat - praise God for it and all that He has blessed you with. Many people are not so fortunate as we are.

On the world news this past week there was a report of the homeless, and one couple lived in a cave in the city. Well, the woman described the cave and said that they had a fireplace, a table and a chair. Let me say also that the cave had a dirt floor. At the end of the interview the woman remarked that they had "everything."

Are we as thankful as this woman was, or do we gripe about what we do have, and simply just want more and more?

In all of this, just seeking to please ourselves and our daily desires, we leave God out of our lives day in and day out; and He still blesses us in some way or form -- if it is nothing but our good health.

Don't you see how much God really loves us? We fail to even give God an hour of our day in prayer or reading the Bible, and yet He still loves us. Oh - you say you don't have time to read the Bible? No, you don't have much time, because God is coming soon! But, if you would get your eyes off that movie or that romance novel, you might have some time for God.

So, give some of your time to God because He gave His all for you and for me, and the very least thing we could do is show Him we love Him too.

Until next week - may God bless you.
FAITH CHAPEL YOUTH

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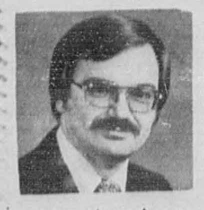
ANSWERS TO YOUR BIBLE QUESTIONS

Question:

Did the Old Testament, within itself, ever promise eternal life?



BOB PRICHARD

by BOB PRICHARD

Yes, the Old Testament did speak of the resurrection, and eternal life. It was a gradual, progressive revelation, that would not be completely understood until the resurrection of Jesus Christ. As long as death stalks the land, men will ask Job's question, "If a man die, shall he live again?" (Job 14:14). From the very beginning, the possibility of eternal life has been hinted at, for man was created in the image of an eternal God, and God planted the tree of life in the midst of the garden of Eden. The key to eternal life has always been the proper relationship with God. Enoch, and Elijah, were both servants of God who never saw death, and thus implied eternal life for the faithful.

Many passages in the psalms point to man's desire for eternal life. David wrote, "He asked life of thee, and thou gavest it him, even length of days for ever and ever" (Ps. 21:4). Another psalmist wrote, "The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore" (Ps. 121:8). David speaks clearly of eternal life in Psalm 133, "As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore" (Ps. 133:3).

The prophets also spoke of eternal life. Isaiah wrote, "He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the Lord hath spoken it" (Is. 25:8). He also wrote, "Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in the dust: for thy dew is as the dew of the herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead" (Is. 26:19). In the Suffering Servant Song of Isaiah 53, verse 8 says of the suffering servant, "He was cut off out of the land of the living." But verse 10 says, "When thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall **prolong his days,** and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand." The clearest statement of the resurrection and eternal life found in the prophets is in Daniel: "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt" (Daniel 12:2).

Among the sects of the Jews, the Pharisees believed in the resurrection, but the Sadducees rejected the resurrection. Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die" (John 11:25-26). Christ proved His claims in His own resurrection from the dead.

To ask a Bible question, or to enroll in a free Bible Correspondence Course, write to Bob Prichard, evangelist, Elba Church of Christ, P.O. Box 269, Elba, AL 36323. Listen to "Moments for the Master" weekdays at 6:20 a.m., 12:27 p.m., and 3:57 p.m. on WELB-AM 1350.

Pd. Adv.

Church Directory

IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN

THE ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION meets each Thurs., 8 a.m., Hickory Pit

HOUR OF TRUTH WELB 1350 am - 1:30 - 2:00 p.m. - Sun. Rev. Jonas Rodgers

MOMENTS FOR THE MASTER WELB - 6:20 a.m. 12:27 p.m. 3:57 p.m. - Bob Prichard

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Bob Prichard
Bible Study . . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Serv. . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN TABERNACLE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Calvin Faircloth
Sunday School. . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Even. Serv. . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABER.
Darriel & Gert Riley
Sunday School . . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Service. . . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . .7:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST - Larry Doster
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . . 11:00 a.m.
Choir Practice . . . . .4:30 p.m.
Training Union . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Even. Service . . . . .6:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS -- J. L. Edgar
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Sun. Even. . . . . . . .5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . .6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Rev. Jimmy Eddins
Sunday School . . . . .9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. . .7:15 p.m.
C. A.'s (Sun.) . . . .5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . .6:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST - Charlie Campbell
Sunday School . . . . .9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST - - Randall Pearson
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Train. Union . . . . 6:00 p.m
Even. Service . . . . .7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . .7:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Larry Powell
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . .7:00 p.m.
Youth Scene-Wed. . . .7:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Shirlie Ellis
Sunday School . . . . .9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer . . . . .7:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH - Campbell Sasser
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Training Union . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Even. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . .7:00 p.m.

ZOAR COMMUNITY CHURCH
Richard & Pat Jones
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . .6:00 p.m.
Thursday Serv. . . . .7:00 p.m.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD - [Kinston] - Robert Bowen
Sunday School . . . . .9:45 a.m.
Morn. Service . . . .11:00 a.m.
C. A. (Youth) . . . . 5:30 p.m.
Evangelistic Serv. . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Eld. Waymon Pryor
Sunday School . . . . .10:30 a.m.
Noon Service . . . .12:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH - Don Polston
Sunday School . . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Church Training . . . .5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . . .6:30 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . .7:00 p.m.

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Ferron Smith
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Services . . . .11:00 a.m.
Youth Service . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. . .7:00 p.m.
Fri. Home Prayer . .7:00 p.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD - Donnie Earls
Sunday School . . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service. . . .5:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . .7:00 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST - Donnie Marler
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship. . . .11:00 a.m.
Church Training. . . .6:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . . .7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. . . .7:00 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH
A. R. Williams
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - George Sedberry
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.
Children and Youth Choir Practice . . . . . .6:00 p.m.
Even. Service . . . .7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Kenneth Fallon
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Training Union . . . .5:00 p.m.
Even. Service . . . .6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH - Richard Larson
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Youth Choir Prac. . .4:00 p.m.
Training Union . . . .5:00 p.m.
Even. Service. . . . 6:00 p.m.
Outreach - Wed. . . . .6:00 p.m.
Adult Choir Wed. . . 8:00 p.m.

MULBERRY HEIGHTS CHURCH OF CHRIST
R. B. Williams
Bible Study . . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m.

NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Dr. L. B. Baldwin, Sr.
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship. . . . 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Douglas Free
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . . 11:00 a.m.

WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH - Lanny Shepard
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship. . . .11:00 a.m.
Training Union . . . .5:00 p.m.
Even. Service . . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . .7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST - Robert Kirkland
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . . 11:00 a.m.
Youth Choir Prac . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Church Training . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Even. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.
Nursery open for church activities

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Hubert McWaters
Sunday School . . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Training Union . . . .5:00 p.m.
Even. Service . . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . .7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH - Mitchell Smith
Sunday School . . . .9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship . . .11:00 a.m.
Training Union . . . .6:00 p.m.
Evening Service . . . .7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. . . 7:00 p.m.
Visitation Thursday nights.
RA's & GA's Wed. 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH - Ben Amlong
Sunday School . . . .9:45 a.m.
Morning Serv. . . . 11:00 a.m.
Youth Choir Practice . .4:00 p.m.
Church Training . . .5:00 p.m.
Evening Service . . .6:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC - Bishop W. T. Harris
Sunday School . . . . .10:00 a.m.
Noon Service . . . .11:00 a.m.
YPWW . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Bible Study & B. Band - Tues. 6
Pastor's Aid . . .Fri. - 7 p.m.
Youth Day - 3rd Sun. - Elder Terry Ellison, Speaker
Choirs - 1st & 3rd Saturday

WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH - David Richburg
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Church Training . . . .5:00 p.m.
Even. Service . . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . . .7:00 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH - Syble Bagwell
Sunday School . . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. . . .7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD - Harvey Bowlin
Sunday School . . . .9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship . . .11:00 a.m.
Evangelistic Serv. . . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. . . .7:00 p.m.

TAYLOR HILL BAPTIST CHURCH - Jim Danford
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship . . .11:00 a.m.
Bible Study . . . .5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. . .7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY - J. E. Wesley
Sunday School . . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship . . .11:00 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . .7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - ELBA - R. Pat McFadden
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship . . .11:00 a.m.
Training Union . . . .6:00 p.m.
Even. Service . . .7:00 p.m.
Wed. Family Meal . . .5:40 p.m.
C. A. (Youth) . . . .5:30 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
J. L. Grayer
Sunday School . . . . .9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship. . . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . .6:00 p.m.
Choir Practice each Thurs. before 1st & 3rd Sundays.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Fred Fowler
Sunday School . . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. . . .7:00 p.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Wesley D. Ard
Sunday School . . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship. . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Serv. . . . . . .5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . 6:30 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH
J. I. Crocker
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship . . .11:00 a.m.
Church Train . . . . .5:30 p.m.
Evening Serv. . . . .6:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. . . .6:00 p.m.

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Farm & Home

Social Security Checks May Be Smaller For Those Who Retire Before The Age Of 62

Early retirement is growing in popularity as an increasing number of persons become eligible for a public or private pension. Well over half of all non-farm workers are under a pension plan, especially those with above average wages.

Locally, some large companies have private pension plans. In addition, most, if not all, government agencies in the community have pension plans that offer employees early retirement, that is, before age 62.

There are some important facts you should know if you start getting a pension before 62. That is the earliest age you can get Social Security retirement checks.

First, your Social Security check may be smaller than you figured. This is because benefits are based on your average lifetime covered earnings. A maximum of only 5 years of low or no earnings can be dropped out when computing benefits.

Second, you may lose insured status for disability benefits if you have a big gap in your earnings record. Most older people need not only a certain total number of Social Security work credits but some of them must have been earned in recent years. In most cases, this means at least 5 years' coverage during the 10 years before onset of disability.

To demonstrate the effect of these provisions, let us consider "Jane" who began receiving her State pension at 55 and has not worked since. If she decides to apply for her full Social Security retirement at 65, several years of no earnings must be included when figuring her average earnings. Also, she will have lost her disability insured status in the last few years before she is 65.

For more information about Social Security benefits and the effect that early retirement may have on them, contact the Dothan Social Security office at 204 North Oates Street. Most questions can be answered by telephone. The phone numbers are 794-3161 or 1-800-325-0334 if you are dialing from outside the local calling area.

IDEAS FOR AROUND THE HOUSE

ANGELA G. HUGHES
ASSOCIATE COUNTY AGENT

HELPING YOUR CHILD EAT RIGHT

A taste for healthy eating is one of the most valuable and enduring gifts parents can give a child. It's never too late -- or too early -- to start. Here are some suggestions:

Always eat as a family. Turn off the TV during mealtime and, if possible, disconnect the phone. Encourage relaxation; don't battle about food or anything else during mealtime.

Set a good example. Your child is more likely to give unfamiliar foods a try after watching you eat and enjoy a wide variety of foods.

Encourage your child to sample a new food, but don't force foods on a youngster. Don't make the new food the price of dessert.

Keep servings small so children have the satisfaction of cleaning up their plates and asking for "More, please."

Encourage smart snacking. Keep the kitchen stocked with a selection of healthy hunger stoppers: fresh fruit, vegetable sticks with a nutritious dip, raisins and cheese with whole grain crackers.

Give kids a healthy start each morning. Make sure they rise early enough for a nourishing breakfast.

The morning meal doesn't have to be cereal. Don't be afraid to try an unconventional breakfast: a peanut-butter-and-banana sandwich, cottage cheese with sliced fruit, and macaroni and cheese are all nutritious and appealing.

Involve kids in menu planning and meal preparation. Children often enjoy helping prepare foods and enjoy eating them, too.

At cooking time, share the assembly tasks. Depending on the young chef's age, you may need to assist with slicing or chopping, turning on range burners and removing hot foods from the oven.

CARE OF DOWN-FILLED ITEMS

Taking care of down-filled comforters or garmets can be a problem for Coffee countians. Here are some tips.

Read the care instruction attached to the down-filled item. If it's an old family heirloom, handle it carefully. Unless care instructions give specific details contrary to this, such as to Dry Clean Only, you can clean these articles by the following method:

Fill the tub or washing machine with cool to warm water and add a milk detergent. Mix the solution or agitate on the gentle cycle to mix.

Close snaps and add your down garment or comforter to the water. Submerge completely, squeezing out air. Gently squeeze the soapy solution through the item and allow to soak for 15 minutes, or set the washer for two to four minutes on the gentle cycle.

By hand, gently squeeze out soapy solution and rinse twice in cool water. Remove from washer or tub without wringing or twisting and place in dryer. Dry on medium heat for one hour. Remove and hang over a shower rod or on a rust proof-hanger to finish drying.

If no dryer is available, allow the down-filled item to drip dry over a shower rod, on a taut line or on a hanger. If hanging it outdoors, avoid direct sunlight.

HORTICULTURE TIPS

DAN J. PRESLEY

CARING FOR POINSETTIAS

If you've gotten a poinsettia for Christmas, be sure to care for it properly. I have these suggestions.

Place the plant in or on a water-proof container to protect furnishings. Water it thoroughly when soil appears light in color and feels dry when touched. Discard excess water.

Protect poinsettias from bruising and chilling. Daytime temperatures should be between 70 degrees and 75 degrees Fahrenheit, while nighttime temperatures should not be cooler than 60 degrees. Don't place poinsettias near windows, heat outlets, or drafts. Sudden temperature changes may cause the leaves to wilt and the flower bracts to drop.

While they will survive for several weeks in a low-light situation, poinsettias do best when located where they receive plenty of bright, indirect, or filtered sunlight.

A special note: Poinsettias are not poisonous. The Society of American Florists and the U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission have conducted exensive tests on the poinsettias, and they conclusions were that poinsettias are completely free of any toxic substances. To protect children from even the remotest possiblity of danger, however, the society suggests that small children be advised to put nothing in their mouths but food.

DISEASE RESISTANT TOMATOES

Disease resistance is probably one of the most important factors in choosing a tomato variety. Many of you will be starting tomato plants from seed in the next few weeks.

Select seed varieties that carry the letter V-F-N. This indicates that this variety is resistant to root-knot nematodes, fusarium and verticillium diseases. Tomatoes are so very susceptible to disease. So it is important that we get as much resistance as we can in our varieties.

DORMANT SPRAYS

Dormant sprays are essential to keep the trees healthy. Probably more backyard fruit trees are killed by pests that could have been controlled with dormant sprays than from any other cause.

Scale insects must be controlled on peaches if you expect to have healthy trees. White peach scale is probably the most damaging to peaches. Dormant sprays can be applied anytime during the dormant season except when freezing temperatures are expected within 24 hours. Superior oil is effective against all scale insects but does not control diseases. Make a second oil application two weeks after the first one for effective control of white peach scale. Adding Dursban to your superior oil makes it even more effective.

Peanut Farmers Hold Meeting At Dothan

Peanut farmers from 13 Wiregrass counties gathered in Dothan Thursday for the 29th annual meeting of the Alabama Peanut Producers Association.

Dr. Lowell Frobish, director of Auburn University Experiment Station Systems, addressed the research efforts currently being conducted by the various experiment stations. Frobish said it is important to "look for a common thread through research efforts and then transfer this technology to producers."

The agriculturalist said there had been three major advances in the history of agriculture. "The first advancement made in agriculture was when animal labor, horses, mules and oxen, replaced man-power. This led to a tremendous increase in production," Frobish said. The second advancement was the development of the cotton gin which brought about mechanization according to Frobish. He stated, "The third advancement was when the number of tractors exceeded the number of horses in the fields in the early 50's." Frobish said farming is now in a state of advanced technology.

Peanut agronomist Dallas Hartzog discussed the recent Envoromental Protection Agency (EPA) ban of Dinoseb, a pesticide used by peanut farmers to conrol leaf spot. Hartzog told the group that other products to replace Dinoseb were being discussed. Plans are under way to ask the state for an emergency label of some herbicides to temporarily replace Dinoseb.

APPA Executive Secretary H. Randall Griggs informed the producers that the peanut quota for 1987 would remain the same as the 1986 quota. In recent weeks, Secretary of Agriculture Richard Lyng had pushed for a five percent reduction.

James Earl Mobley was elected to his 24th term as president of the Association. Clifton Hughes of Houston County, Bill Deloney of Dale County and W. H. Brown, Jr. of Covington County were all re-elected as board members. Advisory trustees re-elected included Dykes Adkinson of Coffee County, J. B. Beck of Houston County and Ed White of Henry County. John Henry Pate of Conecuh County was elected an advisory trustee.

ALL AROUND COFFEE COUNTY

THOMAS C. CASADAY

CATFISH

Catfish production is being discussed throughout the state. Mississippi is the leading producer of catfish in the nation. Alabama is among the top five states.

Some meetings are planned for the area next year on disease control and financial outlook for catfish farming.

In order to be successful a Coffee County catfish producer will need to grow the size fish that the market demands. Ponds should be constructed to make harvesting easier. If your are planning to begin catfish production, be sure to construct a pond which is designed for easy harvesting. I think catfish production has a good future in Coffee County.

FRUITS AND NUTS

Your nurseryman can help you with varieties of fruit and nut trees that you need if you let him know your plans. Some varieties of pecans and fruits do much better in this area than others. Most nurserymen order and stock those varieties which are adapted to Coffee County.

If you are interested in planting some pecan and fruit trees, go ahead and make a decision on the varieties you need and then get with your nurseryman. He will be able to serve you better by knowing your needs in advance.

PECANS

Dr. Bill Goff spoke recently to individuals interested in home production of pecans. The four varieties which he recomended for home plantings are Elliott, Jackson, Sumner, and Melrose. Goff pointed out that the Cape Fear variety, even though it is scab susceptible, is a good tree to plant for pollination purposes.

The Elliott nut is only about two-thirds the size of the Jackson pecan. However, it has excellent quality and Goff recommends it for home use. Elliott has about 72 pecans per pound and the Jackson has around 40. Any of these varieties planted along with one Cape Fear should be satisfactory.

There are other varieties which are very good including Desirable. However, most of the commercial varieties such as Cheyenne, Kiowa, Stuart, Forkert and others require spraying for best results.

If you would like additional information on home pecan production or commercial production, get in touch with us.

GAS REFUND

Most Coffee County farmers take advantage of the state gasoline refund. The Department of Revenue in Montgomery sent me a package of forms to use in applying for the refund. Purchases made between January 1, 1986 and December 31, 1986, can be filed. Claims can be made for a refund on all fuel used in tractors and other equipment used in production of farm products.

The state refund is 10 cents per gallon. Most dealers have the forms used for filing for the refund. However, if you are filing for the first time or need forms or help, get in touch with us at the Extension office.

Health Dept. To Get Strict On Small Stores

The Alabama Department of Public Health will be visiting convenience stores and small grocery stores to determine if they comply with sanitation requirements. Recent amendments to the rules relaxed requirements for limited food store operation but retained the requirement for these facilities to be issued permits by the local health department.

Affected by recent amendments to the regulations are "limited retail food stores" which handle only prepackaged, potentially hazardous foods. Also covered by the regulations are limited food service establishments. These facilities sell only the following food items using single service containers: carbonated beverages, coffee, tea, draft beer, fruit juices, slushes and similar beverages; popcorn and roasted peanuts; dill pickles, pickled meat and eggs, dip ice cream, bologna, cheese, luncheon meats and other fully cooked meats.

Establishments which must make corrections will have six months, from Nov. 20, 1986, until May 20, 1987, to qualify for permits.

FAMILY TALK

Glenda M. Frazier
Community Resource Specialist
Coffee County Department of Human Resources

Well, we have all stuffed ourselves with turkey and dressing, gained a pound or two maybe, and brought in a new year. I hope that all of you received what you most of all wanted. In thinking about the spirit of giving, how many of us think about giving of ourselves -- not just during the holiday season, but during all twelve months of the year. We all have made new year's resolutions. It is not too late to add to that resolution list "give of myself to my family this next year." Just think what a glorious year you can have simply by giving of yourself! You will find in this case that it is more blessed to give than to receive. If each of us would be willing to make this commitment to give of ourselves, 1987 can be the best year ever for our families. Think about it this way, after we do something for a while, it then becomes a habit. Can there be a better habit to have than this? The rules of this game are so obvious and so simple, we often miss them. Just remember to say "thank you", "please", "I appreciate you", "you did a good job", etc. Look at how you spend your time. There is some that can be given to the family as quality time if our priorities are in order. The worst statement we can make is "I wish I had."

In thinking of all these things, we must ask ourselves if we are being fair to ourselves and to our families by withholding "self." Let's work toward a year of selflessness rather than a year of selfishness.

For more information, please call me at 897-3424 or write Coffee County Department of Human Resources, P.O. Box 448, Elba, Al. 36323.

Thought: All self, yet he had so little self. -W.B. Yates

If you have any questions about Cancer, Call the Alabama Cancer Information Service 1-800-4-CANCER

Residents May Be Eligible For Supplemental Income

Any Wiregrass individual who believes he or she may be eligible for monthly supplemental security income (SSI) payments should contact the Dothan Social Security office. This also holds true for anyone who has a disabled or blind child who may be eligible for monthly checks. If such a child does not have parents, a guardian or other responsible person may apply on the child's behalf.

An applicant for SSI payments can help speed up the application process by having certain information available at the time he or she visits the Social Security office. This information includes the person's Social Security number, a birth certificate or other proof of age and evidence of income resources.

In addition, prople who apply for SSI payments on the basis of disability should have available information about their condition and the names and addresses of physicians who treated them and places, such as clinics and hospitals, where they were treated. However, even if all this information is not immediately available, the application should not be held up. Social Security personnel at the local office will help you get whatever information is needed.

Individuals who qualify for SSI may also be able to receive other services. Among these are food stamps, Medicaid, vocational counseling and social services, such as housekeeping services, meals and transportation.

The Dothan Social Security office is located at 204 N. Oates Street. The telephone number is 794-3161 or 1-800-325-0334 if dialing from outside the local calling area.

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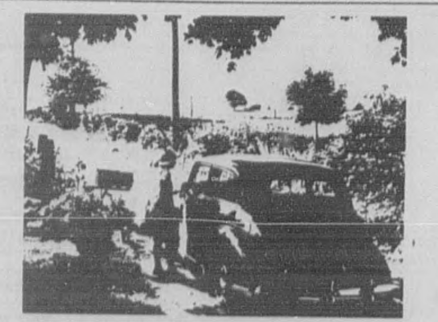

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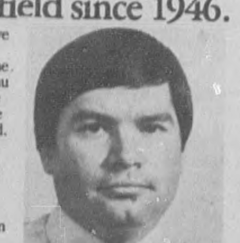

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Group Visits Nursing Home

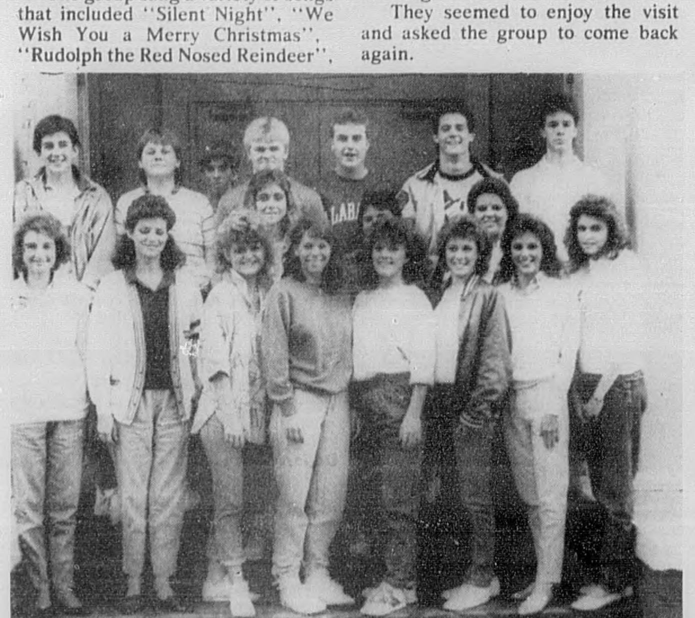
BY: SHARON POPE

To share some Christmas cheer with the patients of Elba Nursing Home, a group of FHA members and club sponsor, Marsha Oggs serenaded them with Christmas songs last week.

The group sang a variety of songs that included "Silent Night", "We Wish You a Merry Christmas", "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer", "Winter Wonderland" and "Jingle Bells". Brenda Mobley and Sharon Pope played the piano for the group to sing.

The FHA members also presented each nursing home patient with a dove Christmas ornament, which they made at their last meeting.

They seemed to enjoy the visit and asked the group to come back again.



Who's Who At Z.C.H.S.

BY: CONNIE FLOWERS

Who's Who was chosen by the student body at Zion Chapel. A student was nominated for each category from grades nine through twelve. The student body then voted by secret ballot to decide the final outcome.

Most Popular-Bryan Amlong and Astrid Blaschka; Best All Around - Brian McLeod and Brenda Mobley; Most Sought After - Bryan Amlong and Astrid Blaschka; Cutest - Bryan Amlong, Susie Nelson and Lisa Holcomb; Most Understanding - Brian McLeod and Sheila Rugg; Best Figure/Physique - Bryan Amlong and Tammy Duncan; Most Likely to Succeed - Brian McLeod and Sharon Pope; Typical Teenagers - Stacy Hussey and Connie Flowers; Most Intellectual - Brian McLeod and Sharon Pope; Most Outstanding Leaders - Brian McLeod and Brenda Mobley; Most Bashful - Kenneth Marler and Camille Marler; Most School Spirit - Thomas Boswell, Connie Flowers and DeeDee Gatlin; Most Athletic - Thomas Boswell and DeeDee Gatlin; Prettiest Legs - Bryan Amlong and Tammy Duncan; Most Dependable - Brian McLeod, Sharon Pope, and Jackie Parrish; Friendliest - Mike Holley and Brenda Mobley; Biggest Cut-ups/Wittiest - Stacy Hussey and Connie Flowers; Most Courteous - Brian McLeod and Sharon Pope; Most Talented - Cade Shiver, Brenda Mobley, and Jackie Parrish; Cutest Couple - Brian McLeod and Jackie Parrish and Best Dressed/Most Stylish - Phillip Wilkinson and Tammy Duncan.

Zion Chapel Happenings..........

ZC STUDENT NAMED COUNTY GOOD CITIZEN

Brian McLeod was named Coffee County's Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizen at a luncheon held at the Lobby restaurant in Enterprise.

DAR Good Citizens from the five county schools were at the luncheon. Each of the students wrote an essay about "How to Preserve American Heritage," answered a questionaire, and filled out a personal data sheet. Brian was chosen by the DAR from the five contestants to represent Coffee County at the district competition.

In order to get to the county competition, Brian, Dedra Gatlin and Brenda Mobley were nominated by their classmates to be voted on by the faculty at Zion Chapel.

CLASS DESIGNED DREAM HOUSE
BY: CAMILLE MARLER

If you designed your dream home, would it be simple, with practicle furniture and accessories, or luxurious, with elegant draperies and fine paintings? Mrs. Marsha Oggs' second period home economics class has been working on room-designing projects. Each student is required to design one room in a home.

They could clip pictures of furniture and furnishings from magazines and change it to suit their taste, or sketch it themselves. The students also used dry tempra paints in their designs, mixing different colors to get the preferred shade. To do these designs, they had to use their knowledge of color schemes and the elements and principles of design.

Dana Dean designed a rather luxurious room using antique pieces. Shelia Acreman chose more simple furniture, but made her room more elegant by using plants.

Mrs. Oggs will grade the designs on creativity, effort and how well the students used their class time to work on the project.

SANTA IS FOUND BY BETA MEMBERS
BY: DIANE PARKER

Where is Santa Claus? This question was answered by the Zion Chapel Beta Club when they met with Santa in Troy Wednesday, December 10 to pick out some gifts for "Operation Santa Claus."

The members of the Beta Club had a selection of Christmas gifts to choose from that included transformers, Barbie dolls, clothes, and many more.

The gifts were taken back to Mrs. Mary Herbert's house, the Beta Club sponsor, and wrapped. The children opened their gifts at the party that was held Friday, December 19 given by the Beta Club.

DO YOU LOOK AT THE BULLETIN BOARD?
BY: BRENDA MOBLEY AND TAMMY DUNCAN

A scholarship to Samford University, information about the ACT (American College Testing) course, and a flier about missing children may all be observed while looking at the bulletin board at the front entrance of the high school building.

More than a quarter of a million dollars in merit scholarships are available for students who successfully participate in the Samford University Leadership Interview or the Honors Test.

Students are nominated by the school guidance counselor for either of these events. For the Leadership Interview, the nominee must have a transcript and an ACT composite of 17 + or 750 + as a SAT (Scholastic Achievement Testing) composite. The Honors Test is open to any high school senior with an ACT composite of 26 or above or an SAT composite of 1155 or higher.

These events will be held for Alabama students on February 7, and for out-of-state students on February 14. The Honors Tests will start at 9 a.m. and the Leadership Interviews will begin at 1:30 p.m. on both dates.

HAVE YOU SEE ANY OF THESE KIDS?

By going by a school bulletin board and looking at the "Child Find" posters you might be able to identify a kidnapped child. Every year 1.5 million kids are kidnapped and half of them are recovered with the help of people who take time to look at the "Child Find" posters, so go by and take a look, you never know what you may discover.

BAND CHRISTMAS PARTY WAS HELD AT SKATE CENTER
BY: LAVONIA JOHNSON

The band Christmas party was held in Enterprise at Dreamland Skate Center. The band Boosters rented Dreamland for four hours. The high school band members were the only ones allowed to go, and they could bring a date. The band students skated and danced from 6:00 p.m. til 10:00 p.m.

GIVE A REBEL YELL!
BY: ASTRID BLASCHKA

Pride, pep, enthusiasm and yells. These are the things that make up **REBEL SPIRIT!**

A pep rally was held before the Elba game on Thursday, December 12. At the pep rally we heard from Coach Holley and Coach Moates. A few of the senior players spoke, the band played and the cheerleaders performed. Spirits were raised, and all teams had a victory that night. The "triple crown" was obtained by the junior team defeating Ariton and the B-team and varsity defeating Elba.

Students, parents, teachers and band and cheerleaders support the basketball teams. Coaches and players work hard during the week, practicing and usually playing two, sometimes three, games a week. Managers also work hard making sure the gym and dressing rooms are clean for fans and visitors.

Hard work does pay off by victories and through pride shown by all Rebel fans.

ACT PREPARATION OFFERED AT ESJC
BY: SHELIA RUGG

Test anxiety, Math skills, Language skills and a short version of the ACT Exam will be reviewed during the ACT Preparation Courses. The classes will be held January 12 - January 28, Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building at E.S.J.C. Registration deadline is January 5.

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FCA CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS
BY: LISA DYESS

Close to 20 members of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes celebrated Christmas with a party at Brian McLeod's house.

FCA members ate spaghetti, chili, and pizza. After this they watched "Football Funnies" on the VCR. Coach Tom Moates then led the members in devotion and read the Christmas Story out the Bible. The group then watched more "Football Funnies", watched Monday night football and ended the activities by exchanging Christmas gifts.

Before the members went home, they gave Marsha Oggs, cheerleader sponsor, a collection of three porcelen vases and presented Head Coach Tom Moates with a Plaque titled "A tribute to a Coach."

The party was catered by Kathy McLeod, and assisted by Carolyn Moates.

Zion Teachers Attend Delegate Assembly

BY: CHERYL FAISON

Mrs. Gale Jackson, resource teacher and Mrs. Marsha Oggs, home economics teacher were the two delegates representing Coffee County at the Alabama Education Association (AEA) Delegate Assembly.

Decisions were made about different resolutions proposed by the AEA Delegate Assembly. Some resolutions dealt with changes in classroom teacher and pupil ratios, qualifications for teachers and administrators and financing for education. The local AEA chapters provide teachers with a voice in the policies, procedures, and laws governing education. The group of delegates also discussed what would be the major issues they would encourage the legislature to consider and support.

Prior to the convention the delegates had two workshops, one concerning parlimentary procedure and the other one dealt with the writing of resolutions and amendments to resolutions. The opening included speeches by the state AEA President Mrs. Linda Malone and Dr. Paul Hubbert. A debating and voting session was held on each amendment and resolution presented to the Delegate Assembly.

"As an AEA member I feel that this experience has made me a stronger supporter of AEA and what this organization stands for," said Mrs. Gale Jackson. She serves as President of the Coffee County Teacher's Association. Mrs. Marsha Oggs who was elected to attend during a Coffee County AEA meeting said, "As a group we can petition the legislature to try and get changes to make education better for the students of Alabama."

The convention was held December 11 thru 13 at the Winfrey Hotel in Birmingham, Alabama.

Rebels Even Record At 4-4

BY: BRIAN McLEOD

Zion Chapel claimed victories over Elba and Highland Home but lost to New Brockton. Through eight games the Rebels own a 4 and 4 record.

The Rebels played back to back games with Elba and New Brockton on Thursday and Friday nights.

The Rebels pulled away in the first quarter and never look back as they defeated the Elba Tigers 65-45. Dale Liptrot scored 22 points to lead all scorers in the game.

The Rebels had little time to celebrate as they faced the New Brockton Gamecocks the very next night. The game stayed close throughout the first half as the Gamecocks led by only six at halftime. The Rebels went cold in the second half and the Gamecocks began to pull away. The Rebels could manage to score only 13 points in the third and fourth quarters which helped the Gamecocks to pull away for a 57-37 win.

The Rebels traveled to Highland Home and claimed a 65-62 victory to even their record with four wins and four losses. The Squadron pulled out to an early lead and held off the Rebels for three quarters, but the Rebels took charge in the final quarter to claim a 3 point victory. Dale Liptrot and Scott Lee combined for 48 Rebel points in the game.

Go Rebels!

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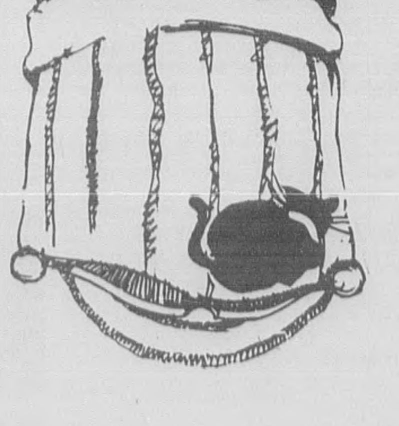

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Views From The Pressbox
By, Ricky Mularz

I'm still signing some of my checks "1986," but I do know the new year has started and that the holidays are over. I guess that means it's time to get back to the old routine . . .

TIGER BASKETBALLERS SHOW SIGNS OF LIFE IN TOURNEY

The Elba Tigers were ousted in the opening round of the Opp basketball tourney last week as their record dipped to 1-5, but don't give up the ship yet because the Tigers showed signs of life in the tourney and are beginning to put it all together!

Coach Hank Kennedy's squad surprised New Brockton by pulling out to a halftime lead, and despite feeling the loss of two starters that skipped holiday practices, probably played its best four quarters of the season. Senior Bill Brueckner poured in 20 points and gave what we all hope is a preview of things to come, while junior Jason Johnson added 19 and continued to be the Tigers' only consistent player. Coach Kennedy worked the team hard during the holidays to make up for time lost due to the football playoffs and the practice time obviously paid dividends.

Elba's schedule doesn't get any easier in the near future, but the Tigers do have upcoming home games against Kinston, Andalusia, Opp and Clayton and the home games could provide the spark needed for the stretch run. I urge all Elba fans to give the basketball team the support it needs and deserves. Remember, the football team got off to a slow start too!

COUNTY CAGE TEAMS LOOKING FORWARD TO NEW YEAR

There is something about the new year that seems to give everyone a sense of optimism and the same is the case with the basketball teams in the county. All the county schools entered the holidays with solid squads, and as coaches and players begin to look ahead to the state tourney the action always picks up. Here is a quick look at what the new year may hold:

***Enterprise [10-1] got off to its fastest start in years and has what many are calling one of the best teams in the state. The Wildcats of Sam Weeks may have yet to get into the teeth of their schedule, but the 'Cats forte is defense, and when you play good defense, you can play against anybody. This may be the year the Wildcats go to state in basketball instead of football!

***New Brockton [9-3] rolled to nine straight wins before hitting hard times over in Opp, and the Gamecocks may have learned a valuable lesson - that no matter who you play you had better be ready. New Brockton played a fairly easy schedule during the early part of the season that could have given the Gamecocks a false sense of superiority, but I'll bet you that Coach Kinsaul will explain the facts of life to his squad this week and New Brockton will look like the Gamecocks of old real soon!

***Kinston [5-3] got off to a slow start and then went into shock following a stiff penalty from the state, but Coach Pete Kelley has a solid team with lots of pride, and you know as well as I do that the Bulldogs have put in a lot of long hours working during the holiday break. The Bulldogs aren't possessed with a lot of talent; however, Coach Kelley is as good as any coach in the nation and the kids at Kinston grew up playing basketball. That's a winning combination.

***Zion Chapel [5-5] is kind of the Rodney Dangerfield of basketball in that the Rebels just can't get any respect, but the Rebels have developed a sense of winning and Coach Wayne Holley's squad this season is beginning to look like a very good team. Zion Chapel has to overcome somewhat of lack of tradition on the basketball court; however, the Rebs made it to state last year and are headed in the right direction this season, so the tradition may be beginning!

CHURCH'S HOLIDAY TOURNEY FEATURED STRONG FIELD

The first annual Church's Fried Chicken Holiday Basketball Tournament last week in Opp featured a very strong field, and by the time the tourney ended everyone who watched the event had to agree! Going into the 8-team tourney New Brockton was seeded first, with Goshen second and Geneva third, while many area fans felt the hometown Bobcats would emerge with the crown. It turned out everybody was right!

I didn't see a lot of the tourney, but I did get to see tourney champion Geneva play and I was mighty impressed with Coach Jim Bixby's Panthers. The Panthers have a combination of speed and size and can also shoot the ball as well as anybody around. Going into the tournament the Panthers might have been the most underrated team in south Alabama, but no more!!!

The tourney bracket drew a lot of funny looks due to the fact Elba, New Brockton, Geneva and Florala were all in one bracket, while Opp was in the other bracket with small school teams Luverne, Zion Chapel and Goshen. I'll admit I thought it looked a little fishy, but the coaches of all eight teams seeded the entire field by voting, and the bracket was the result of the coaches' feelings about the strengths of the teams. The bracket just looked suspicious.

ANDALUSIA TOURNAMENT BROUGHT BACK MEMORIES

Andalusia hosted its 20th annual holiday tourney prior to Christmas and the way the tourney turned out reminded me a lot of an Enterprise tournament of years ago. Pleasant Home was one of the whipping boys for the larger teams like Enterprise, Northview and Andalusia - or so they thought! Pleasant Home stunned 6A Northview in the semifinals and then lost to highly-ranked Andalusia by only two points in the finals. The Eagles proved once again that unlike football the little guys can compete against the big boys on the court.

Oh yeah, the Andalusia tourney brought back memories of the year New Brockton won the state tourney. The Gamecocks of Coach Charles Cole competed in the Enterprise Holiday Tourney and were supposed to just be one of the whipping boys for the big schools entered in the event. The Gamecocks promptly upset Enterprise, clobbered Florida power Niceville and lost to Montgomery's Lanier in the finals in the closing seconds. The tourney success seemed to lay the foundation for the Gamecocks' drive for a state title and the same may be true for Pleasant Home.

UAB CLASSIC PROVED TO BE MORE THAN JUST A SURE THING

I went up to Birmingham for the final round of the UAB Classic, a basketball tourney hosted by Alabama-Birmingham annually to let the Blazers win a trophy, but this year's event proved to be more than the organizers bargained for and not exactly what ESPN had in mind!

The 4-team event included UAB, Michigan, Middle Tennessee and Alaska-Anchorage, and ESPN agreed to televise the finals since UAB and Michigan were in opposite brackets and would undoubtedly meet in the championship contest. Well, UAB had no trouble with lowly Alaska; however, Middle Tennessee stunned Michigan and the dream matchup was suddenly not as attractive as everyone in Birmingham had hoped for. ESPN stuck with its plans to televise the finals, but moved the game back to 9:30 p.m., and then at the last minute decided to televise a bowl game instead and show the basketball game on a delayed basis. This made little difference to me, since I was on vacation anyway, but it also meant the consolation game between Michigan and Alaska would end almost an hour before the title game started. Michigan wiped out Alaska by over 50 points in a game witnessed by about 200 fans, and while the delay between the games was very long, at least I got to see Dick Vitale shoot a couple of baskets and watch the UAB Golden Girls in action. By the way, UAB won the nightcap in overtime, so at least the Blazers did their part.

BOWL GAMES PROVIDE AS MUCH EXCITEMENT AS EXPECTED

I was less than enthusiastic before the bowl games were played, and it turned out that my expectations weren't without reason. I did watch Alabama wipe out Washington in the Sun Bowl as Cornelius Bennett and Mike Shula went out in a blaze of glory; and also watched Auburn doze past Southern Cal in the Citrus Bowl in a game in which the Tigers did little more than show up. At least the state's two football powers won!

The low point of the bowl season for me was the constant view NBC gave all the fans of ex-Oklahoma standout Brian "Boz" Bosworth. I enjoyed Bosworth during the season and didn't mind his free-spirit attitude or controversial statements, but NBC made him the star of the Orange Bowl and lowered my opinion of Bosworth by baiting him with questions about his steroid use and then showing him wearing a T-shirt that condemned the NCAA. I blame the NBC camera crew for the shot of Bosworth with the T-shirt on (he tried to turn away), but I think Bosworth should have let the matter die like the other players that got suspended. Enough is enough!

SURPRISES WERE THE ORDER OF THE DAY AT ALABAMA

The University of Alabama was the place to be for news last week as first Ray Perkins resigned his post and then school officials shocked everyone when they went outside the "family" and got Georgia Tech coach Bill Curry as his replacement. I didn't expect Perkins to resign and was still telling everybody that the morning of his news conference; but now that I look back and read everything the papers have written it becomes clear that college football wasn't what Perkins expected it to be. The recruiting, the closeness of coach and players, and the constant publicity left Perkins gasping for air, and when the Tampa Bay job opened up it was just what the doctor had ordered. I wasn't a big Perkins fan and wasn't upset that he left; however, I will admit that Coach Perkins did a good job in a tough situation and left the University football program in better shape than he found it.

As far as Bill Curry - from what I know - Alabama chose one of the most highly-respected and highly-thought-of coaches in the nation. Curry's record has a lot of fans scratching their heads, but there is more to a coach than just his win-loss record. Only time will tell if the right choice was made, but for now Coach Curry looks like the right man for the job.

CLIPPER PREP BASKETBALL POLL PICKS THE BEST IN THE SOUTH

The new year brings changes, but it also brings back some old things, such as the Clipper's weekly poll of the top basketball teams in south Alabama. I don't pretend to know it all; however, I do consider myself to be very knowledgeabout about high school sports, and with the help of a couple of coaching friends of mine I do know who's got the top teams. Here goes Week No. 1:

CLASS 1A
1. South Macon
2. Pleasant Home
3. Repton
4. Autaugaville
5. Houston Academy

CLASS 2A
1. D.C. Wolfe
2. Wicksburg
3. Red Level
4. New Brockton
5. J.F. Shields

CLASS 3A
1. LaFayette
2. Clayton
3. Wilcox County
4. Louisville
5. R.C. Hatch

CLASS 4A
1. Keith
2. Livingston
3. Geneva
4. Headland
5. Pike County

CLASS 5A
1. Andalusia
2. Eufaula
3. Bullock County
4. Jackson
5. Henderson, Troy

CLASS 6A
1. Jeff Davis
2. Valley
3. Auburn
4. Enterprise
5. Central, P.C.

Elba Tigers To Host Kinston & Andalusia In Cage Action

Elba Tiger basketball fans will be in for a treat this week when the Tigers host Kinston and Andalusia on successive nights at the Elba high gym.

Elba will renew its rivalry with the Kinston Bulldogs tonight (Thursday) in what should be a true battle between two cross-county rivals. The game wasn't on the original schedule, but when Kinston was placed on restrictive probation the Bulldogs were forced to withdraw from this week's SEAC Tourney, and since both teams had an open date the game was signed.

Kinston, coached by Pete Kelley, will carry a 5-3 record into the battle and will be led by the play of guard Chris Free and the inside strength of Travis Carnley and Brandy Nobles.

Elba has struggled to a 1-5 record this season, but has shown signs of coming out of the tailspin in recent games and will be looking forward to the matchup with the Bulldogs.

Andalusia, ranked No. 2 in the state in Class 5A, will be out to avenge a devastating loss to the Tigers last season and appear to have the team to do just that! The Buldogs' only loss was to 6A power Enterprise and the 'Dogs are led by 6'8" center Robert Horry, considered one of the top big men in the state by college scouts.

The B game each night will start at 6:00, to be followed by the varsity game at 7:15.

SEAC Tourney Set For This Week

The Southeast Alabama Conference basketball tournament is being held this week at the New Brockton High School gym with a total of six teams competing for the coveted tourney crown.

The single-elimination event began on Tuesday night, Jan. 6, with Zion Chapel meeting Brantley and Red Level battling Dozier for the right to move into tonight's (Thursday) semifinal round.

In action tonight Goshen will meet the winner of the Red Level-Dozier game at 6:00, while top-seeded New Brockton will meet the Zion Chapel-Brantley winner at 7:30. The championship game will be held on Friday night at 7 p.m.

New Brockton will carry a 9-3 record into the tourney after dropping two games in the Church's Fried Chicken Tourney last week in Opp. The Gamecocks are led in scoring by the 1-2 punch of Stanley and Steve Foster.

Stanley Foster, a 6'2" forward, is averaging over 20 points per game for the Gamecocks, while his brother Steve, a 6'1" guard, is scoring at a 16-point average. Point guard Rocky Head also is scoring in double figures for New Brockton, which entered the holidays ranked fourth in the state in Class 2A.

The second-seeded Goshen Eagles will bring an impressive 9-2 record into the tourney, and included among the nine wins are two wins over top-seeded New Brockton. The Eagles possess a quick club with good shots and strong rebounders and are led by Charles Sankey and Danny Ray Jackson, both of whom are averaging over 16 points a game.

The dark-horse in the annual affair appears to be the Red Level Tigers, who enter the tournament with a solid 8-4 record and an impressive ball club.

Admission to the tourney will be $2 per person for each session.

Zion Chapel
Jan. 6, 6:00
Brantley

New Brockton
Jan. 8, 7:30

Red Level
Jan. 6, 7:30
Dozier

Goshen
Jan. 8, 6:00

Jan. 9, 7:00
Championship

JAN. 6-9
AT NEW BROCKTON HIGH SCHOOL

Nets & Lakers Post Youth Cage Wins

The Elba Youth Basketball League opened its season last weekend with the Hawks and Nets posting opening round wins. The league will play games on Saturdays at 1:00 and 2:00 at the Elba High School gym.

Following are highlights of the season openers:

Hawks 36
Lakers 18

The Hawks pulled out to an early lead and never looked back to hand the Lakers a 36-18 defeat. The Hawks pulled out to a 20-9 halftime lead behind the inside play of Joey Donaldson, who poured in 10 first-half points, and coasted to the win.

Donaldson scored a total of 12 points to lead the Hawks, while other scorers included Rob King 8, Zack Steele 4, Michael Grantham 4, Pernell Smith 4, Keith Grantham 2 and David Yelverton 2.

Scoring for the Lakers were James Jones 11, Chris Parrish 3, Dion Belcher 2 and Todd Galimore 2.

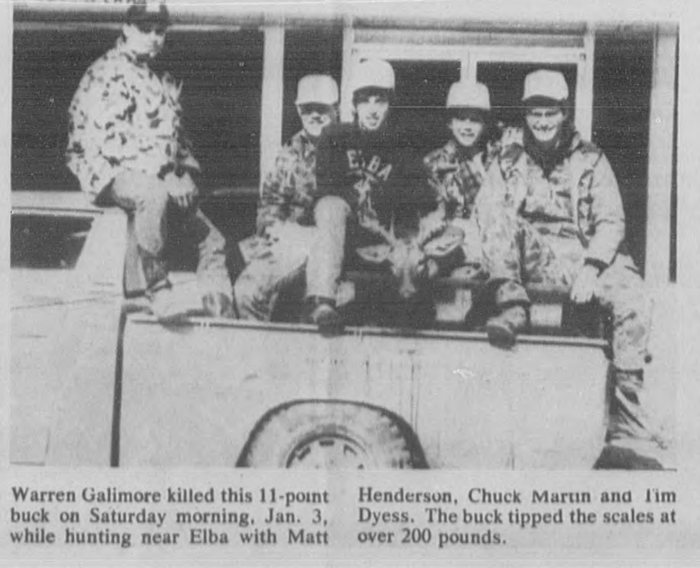
Nets 23
Jazz 18

The Nets rallied in the second half to nip the Jazz 23-18. The Jazz erupted for 10 points in the second quarter to grab a 14-13 hafltime lead, but failed to score in the third quarter as the Nets rallied to regain the lead and held on for the win.

Joel Kirkland scored 10 points to pace the Nets, while other scorers included Kenyata Atkins 4, Joe Jacobs 3, Vincent Thigpen 2, Eric Culver 2 and Kevin Bryan 2.

Scoring for the Jazz were Dee Miller 8, Alex Magwood 6 and Lance McCollough 4.

Lee Skinner caught this 9 lb. 1 oz. bass on Dec. 31 while fishing in a private pond.



Warren Galimore killed this 11-point buck on Saturday morning, Jan. 3, while hunting near Elba with Matt Henderson, Chuck Martin and Tim Dyess. The buck tipped the scales at over 200 pounds.

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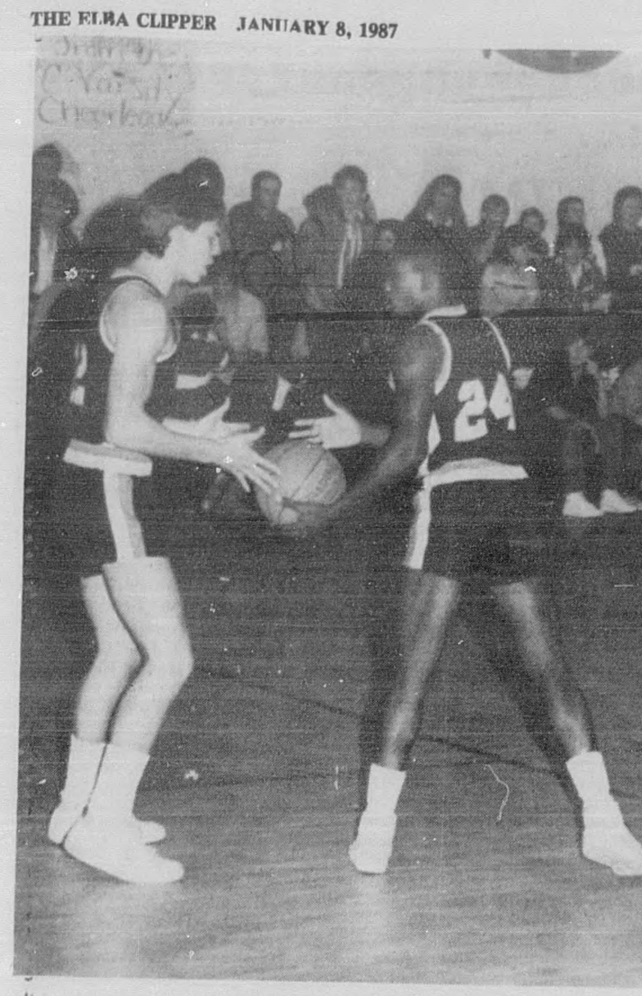


Elba's Leon Coleman (24) hands the ball to teammate Jason Johnson (12) after pulling down a rebound in early season action. Johnson scored 18 points in Elba's loss to New Brockton in the Church's Fried Chicken Tournament.

Gamecocks Stumble To 4th Place Finish In Opp

The top-seeded New Brockton Gamecocks opened the Opp Church's Fried Chicken Basketball Tournament with a big win over county rival Elba, but then stumbled to two straight losses to finish fourth in the 8-team affair.

Following are highlights of the Gamecocks' semifinal and consolation contests (see related story for Elba game).

Geneva 76
N.B. 62

The New Brockton Gamecocks fell behind 24-6 in the opening stanza and could never catch up as the Geneva Panthers rolled to an impressive 76-62 win over the top-seeded Gamecocks.

New Brockton came out ice-cold in the semifinal battle and fell behind 10-2 with 4:27 left in the quarter.

The Gamecocks seemed to settle down late in the quarter and cut the lead to 17-6 with 2:06 left, only to see the Panthers break loose and grab a 24-6 lead!

Geneva continued to dominate the game in all aspects in the second quarter and took complete control by opening up a whopping 39-15 bulge with 2:32 left in the half.

New Brockton refused to quit despite the mounting deficit and outscored Geneva 9-4 in the closing minutes, but could only get as close as 43-24 at the half.

New Brockton opened the second half playing aggressively on defense and pulled within 44-30 with 5:04 left in the third quarter on a jumper by Phil Smith.

The Gamecocks had numerous chances to cut the Panther lead even more late in the quarter; however, the New Brockton shooters couldn't find their touch from outside and still trailed 55-42 heading into the final stanza.

The teams swapped buckets for much of the fourth quarter as Geneva couldn't put the pesky Gamecocks away, and a mild rally late in the stanza got New Brockton within 70-60 with 2:37 left in the game on a long bomb by Jeff Davis!

The Gamecocks never gave up until the final horn; however, the Panthers hit key free-throws down the stretch to hold on and post the win.

Rocky Head poured in 24 points to pace the Gamecocks, while Stanley Foster added 15.

Duncan led Geneva with 26 and Greasham added 21.

Gen.	24	19	12	21 - 76
NB	6	18	18	20 - 62

Gen. [76]: Stacy 5, Duncan 26, Lampley 9, Cady 12, Simon 1, Kimminglin 1, Greasham 21.

NB [62]: Head 24, Stv. Foster 7, Stn. Foster 15, Smith 2, Knox 4, Goosby 6, Davis 2, McDaniels 2.

CONSOLATION GAME

Goshen 74
N.B. 73

The New Brockton Gamecocks had to settle for the fourth place trophy as a last-second shot by Goshen was ruled good, giving the Eagles a wild 74-73 win over the Gamecocks in the consolation game Saturday night.

Goshen opened the game as if it would run the Gamecocks out of the gym, as the Eagles pulled out to a 9-1 lead with 3:59 left in the stanza; however, New Brockton switched to a pressing defense after a time-out and the switch worked as New Brockton rallied and tied the score at 16-16 on a late shot by Steve Foster.

The lead see-sawed early in the second quarter and was knotted at 20-20 with 6:00 left in the half, only to see Goshen again catch fire and pull away to a 33-30 lead at the half!

The Eagles remained in command in the third quarter and owned a 41-34 lead with 5:17 left in the stanza, but New Brockton again staged a rally and took its first lead of the game at 46-45 with 1:58 left in the quarter on a long shot by Rocky Head!

The Eagles refused to let the Gamecocks pull away, however, and grabbed a 59-54 lead with 6:11 left in the game. New Brockton called a time-out to settle down and the strategy again worked as the Gamecocks went on a tear and regained the lead at 60-59 with 5:22 left on a Steve Foster layup.

A steal and layup by Leon Knox put New Brockton ahead 62-59 with 4:26 left on the clock, and when Chris Goosby tipped in a missed shot with 3:28 left, the Gamecocks were on top 66-61!

Goshen rallied to pull even at 68-68 with 2:28 remaining in the game, but New Brockton again pulled ahead as Stanley Foster hit a three-pointer to put the Gamecocks up 71-68 with only 1:32 left.

The New Brockton lead stood at 73-70 with :19 left in the game and appeared to have the game won; however, Goshen scored quickly to cut the lead to 73-72 and when the Gamecocks missed the front end of a one-and-one free-throw with :05 left, the Eagles called time-out to set up one final play.

The Eagles threw the ball inbounds and a Goshen player drove the length of the court toward the Gamecock goal. The buzzer sounded a split-second before the Eagle player took the last shot, but the trailing referee ruled the shot good and the unbelieving Gamecocks left the court with the scoreboard reading Goshen 74 - New Brockton 73.

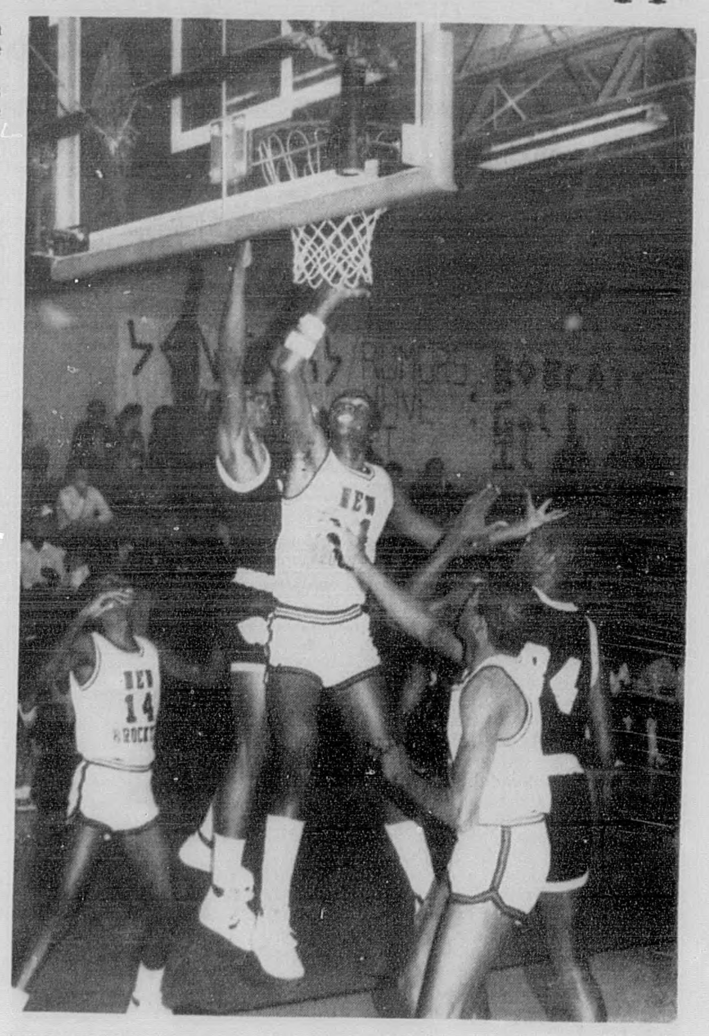
Stanley Foster scored 21 points to pace New Brockton, while Steve Foster added 17, Rocky Head 14 and Chris Goosby 13.

Charley Sankey scored 26 points to lead Goshen and Danny Jackson added 19.

G	16	17	18	23 - 74
NB	16	14	20	23 - 73

G [74]: Jackson 19, Sankey 26, Jones 15, Berry 6, Barr 8, Davis 2.

NB [73]: Head 14, Stv. Foster 17, Stn. Foster 21, Smith 2, Knox 4, Goosby 13.



New Brockton standout Stanley Foster (34) lays in a two-pointer over a Geneva defender in last week's 76-62 loss. Foster, a junior, scored a total of 64 points in the Gamecocks' three games in the Church's Fried Chicken Tournament and was named to the All-Tournament team.

Tigers Fall To New Brockton 67-55 In Opp Tourney

The Elba Tigers saw their upset hopes dashed as the New Brockton Gamecocks posted a second-half rally to claim a 67-55 win in the opening round of the Opp Church's Fried Chicken Basketball Tournament, last week in Opp.

The Tigers came out ready to play and behind the shooting of senior Bill Brueckner surprised New Brockton by pulling out to a 16-12 first-quarter lead.

The Gamecocks cut the Elba lead to 19-18 early in the second quarter and New Brockton appeared to be back in control; however, the Tigers refused to allow the Gamecocks to grab the lead and rode the shooting of Jason Johnson late in the stanza to take a 34-30 halftime advantage.

Elba's shooting touch went cold in the third quarter and New Brockton took advantage of the Tigers' shooting woes to pull even at 40-40 with 4:33 left in the stanza on a lay-up by Steve Foster.

A Stanley Foster jumper with 2:35 left gave the Gamecocks their first lead at 42-40 and by the end of the quarter the Gamecock lead had ballooned to 50-43.

Bill Brueckner regained his shooting eye in the fourth quarter and rallied the Tigers to within 52-49 early in the stanza, but New Brockton reeled off six straight points to stretch its lead to 58-49 with 4:45 left and the Gamecocks coasted to the win.

Bill Brueckner scored 20 points to pace Elba, while Jason Johnson added 18.

Stanley Foster poured in a game-high 28 points for New Brockton and Steve Foster added 17.

NB	12	18	20	17 - 67
E	16	18	9	12 - 55

NB [67]: Head 8, Stv. Foster 17, Stn. Foster 28, Andrews 12, Smith 2.

Elba [55]: Jonnson 18, Brueckner 20, Coleman 6, Hooks 8, Henderson 2.

Geneva Wins Opp Cage Tourney

The high-scoring Geneva Panthers rolled up three impressive wins last week to claim the championship of the first Opp Church's Fried Chicken Basketball Tournament, held at the Opp High School gym.

Geneva opened the tourney with a 74-62 win over the Florala Wildcats and followed it with wins over New Brockton 76-62 and Opp 80-68 to claim the tourney title.

The Opp Bobcats placed second, while Goshen finished third and New Brockton fourth.

Other teams participating included Luverne, Elba and Zion Chapel.

COFFEE COUNTY BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, JAN. 8

Kinston at Elba

SEAC Semifinals, at New Brockton
New Brockton Jr. at Geneva

FRIDAY, JAN. 9

Andalusia at Elba
SEAC Finals, at New Brockton

MONDAY, JAN. 12

Elba Jr. at Zion Chapel
Dauphin Jr. at New Brockton

TUESDAY, JAN. 13

Louisville at Elba
Enterprise Jr. at Elba Jr.
New Brockton at Florala
Goshen at Zion Chapel

GRAND OPENING
RED BRAHMA CLUB
(Free Barbecue)
Friday, January 9th
Serving To begin
At 6 p.m.
Fontell Wyatt & Horace Weeks are having a Grand Opening at
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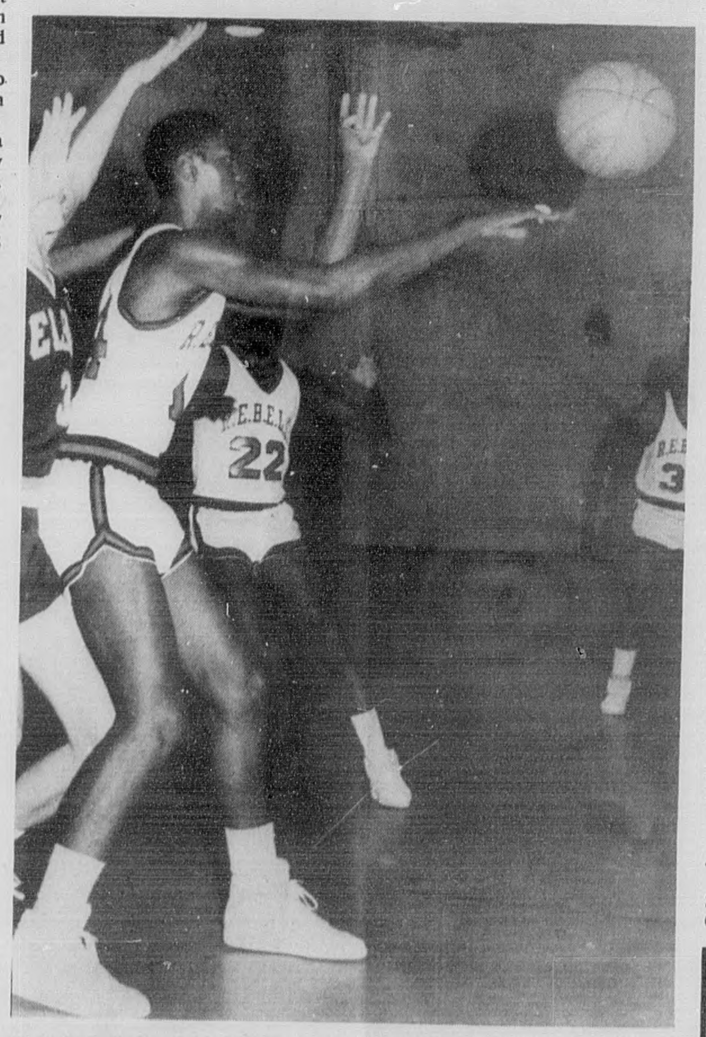

Zion Chapel's Tony Cole (14) passes to a teammate in a recent Rebel victory. Zion Chapel was ousted from last week's Church's Fried Chicken Holiday Tournament in the opening round by the host Opp Bobcats 85-71.

Zion Chapel Falls To Opp In Opening Round Action 85-71

The Zion Chapel Rebels made an early exit in last week's Opp Church's Fried Chicken Basketball Tournament as they fell in the opening round to the Opp Bobcats 85-71 in a high-scoring shootout.

Zion Chapel hung with the 5A Bobcats for much of the opening stanza as Dale Liptrot poured in 10 point; however, Opp's Russ Atkins burned the nets for 12 points in the second quarter and the Bobcats rode the spark to open up a 38-29 lead at the half.

The pace slowed in the third quarter as Opp continued to pull away, and while Zion Chapel did scorch the nets for 30 points in the final stanza, the Bobcats matched the output and held on for the wild 85-71 victory.

Dale Liptrot and Robert Smith scored 16 points apiece to lead the Rebels, while Phillip Wilerson added 13. Russ Atkins scored 24 points for Opp and Keith Womack added 21.

Opp	16	22	19	30 - 85
ZC	15	14	12	30 - 71

Opp [85]: Womack 21, Atkins 24, Teague 4, Moore 13, McCord 10, Edwards 2, Sanders 9, Hightower 4.

ZC [71]: Lee 4, Wilkerson 13, Cole 9, Liptrot 16, Smith 16, McLeod 5, Moultry 2, J. Liptrot 4.

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OPP CHURCH'S FRIED CHICKEN BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

COMPLETE RESULTS

OPENING ROUND

New Brockton 67 - Elba 55
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Opp 76 - Goshen 52

CONSOLATION GAME

Goshen 74 - New Brockton 73

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Geneva 80 - Opp 68

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STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COFFEE

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

WHEREAS, Joseph C. Clark and wife, Janice B. Clark, executed to First Federal Savings & Loan Association of the Wiregrass, an Alabama Corporation on the 9th day of March, 1979, a mortgage upon the real estate hereinafter described to secure an indebtedness described herein, said mortgage being recorded in the Office of Judge of Probate, Elba Division, Coffee County, Alabama, in Mortgage Book 67-A, Page 421-424. Said mortgage was thereafter duly transferred and assigned to Farmers Savings Bank, a foreign corporation, the present holder of the mortgage.

WHEREAS, default has been made by the mortgagors in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage and/or in the performance of the terms of said mortgage, and said default continuing;

NOW THEREFORE, Farmers Savings Bank, the transferee or assignee and holder of the mortgage, will sell, under and by virture of the power of sale contained in said mortgage between 11:00 and 11:45 o'clock A.M. on January 23, 1987, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Coffee County Courthouse, in the City of Elba, Alabama, the real estate embraced in said mortgage described as follows:

A lot or parcel of land together with all improvements thereon, located in Coffee County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point where the South line of the NW¼ of the NW¼, Section 5, T5N, R20E intersects the East right of way of Alabama Highway #87; thence in a northerly direction along the East right of way of said Highway 1222.5 feet to a point; thence S75 degrees 00'W 80.1 feet to a point on the west right of way of said Alabama Highway #87; thence N12 degrees 37'W along the west right of way of said Highway 210 feet to a point; thence in a northerly direction along the West right of way of said Highway 130 feet to the point of beginning; thence S63 degrees 39'W 191.1 feet to a point; thence N32 degrees 02'W 43.0 feet; thence N7 degrees 37'W 100 feet; thence N76 degrees 00'E 200 feet to a point on the West right of way of Alabama Highway #87; thence S7 degrees 37'E along the West right of way of said Highway 100 feet to the point of beginning. Said property being located in the SW¼ of the SW¼, Section 32, T6N, R20E and containing .550 acres, more or less.

NOTE: Said sale and any conveyances made in consummation thereof, will be subject to any existing Federal tax liens, if any, and/or special assessments, if any, which might adversely affect title to the subject property.

Said sale will be made for the purpose of realizing the mortgage debt, together with all expenses of this sale, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

This 17th day of December, 1986.

FARMERS SAVINGS BANK,
Assigneee and Holder of said Mortgage
12-25-3tc

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COFFEE

RESOLUTION OF THE COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION

At a regular meeting of The Coffee County Commission, the official governing body of Coffee County, Alabama, held on Monday, December 8, 1986, at Enterprise, Alabama, there being present Commissioners Eugene Bradley, Billy Eagerton, James E. Bryan, Sidney Averett, Robert G. Stephens and Damascus Crittenden, and the said Honorable Marion B. Brunson, Judge of Probate and Chairman of said Commission presiding, and on Motion being made by Billy N. Eagerton and seconded by Eugene Bradley, the following Resolution was offered:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Coffee County Commission, the official governing body of Coffee County wishes to approve and implement the provisions of Section 11-3-4.1, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, wherein said Section does provide for the minimum compensation to members of the County Commission by giving a $5,000.00 per year pay raise to the new Commission starting in January, 1989, when they take office.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Coffee County Commission does hereby approve the provisions of Section 11-3-4.1, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, which provides for the compensation of members of The Coffee County Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of The Coffee County Commission and further that this said Resolution be published in the local newspapers for four (4) consecutive weeks prior to the final action on this Resolution.

The above and foregoing Resolution being duly and legally adopted by unanimous vote, the same was signed by the Hon. Marion B. Brunson, Chairman of said Commission and Judge of Probate and was duly authenticated by the Clerk of said Commission and was ordered recorded.

/s/ MARION B. BRUNSON
Chairman of the Coffee County Commission

ATTEST:
/s/ BRUNEASE WINSTON

I, Brunease Winston, Clerk of The Coffee County Commission, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a regular meeting held by The Coffee County Commission on the 8th day of December, 1986.

/s/ BRUNEASE WINSTON
12-18-4tc

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

RUFUS WILSON, Individually and as Executor of the Estate of A.C. WILSON, DECEASED; CECIL WILSON; LUCILLE WILSON RAYBORN; MAYLENE WILSON SPIVEY; AND LAMAR WILSON;

Plaintiffs,
VS.
LEON WILSON and BURTA W. WEED, Individually, and as Executors of the Estate of IDA MAE WILSON, DECEASED; and LORENE WILSON POPE;
Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO. CV 86-74

NOTICE OF SALE

In accordance with the Decree of the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division, rendered in the above styled cause, said decree being dated the 22nd day of December, 1986, the undersigned, Jim Ellis, as Clerk of the Circuit Court of Coffee County, will proceed to sell at public outcry for cash, to the highest bidder, between the legal hours of sale, before the West door of the Coffee County Courthouse in Elba, Alabama, at 11:00 A.M., on Thursday, the 29th day of January, 1987, the following described real estate located in the Counties of Coffee and Crenshaw, State of Alabama, to-wit:

TRACT NO. 1: The NE¼ of NE¼ of Section 6, Township 6 North, Range 19 East, in Coffee County, Alabama, described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said tract of land and running due South 577 yards; thence due East 347 yards; thence due North 517 yards; thence due West 347 yards to point of beginning, and also, 3 acres lying in the SE corner of NW¼ of NE¼ of Section 6, Township 6 North, Range 19 East on the East side and up to the Stumps Springs Road South of the town of Bullock and joining (formerly) John Nelson tract of lands on the South side.

Note: The lands described hereinabove are the same lands heretofore conveyed by Fox Henderson, et al, to G.W. Heath, by Warranty Deed dated 13 November 1900, recorded in Deed Book Y at Page 527, and being the same lands intended to be conveyed by Mrs. Donie Heath, a widow, to A.C. Wilson and Ida Mae Wilson, by Warranty Deed dated 11 July 1947, recorded in Deed Book 14-A at Page 35.

Said lands lying in Coffee County, Alabama.

TRACT NO. 2: Lot No. 16 in Bullock consisting of 7 acres, with all improvements and dwelling thereon; Lot No. 18 in Bullock consisting of one acre; and that portion of Lot No. 20 in the Town of Bullock, Alabama, that lies East of the new Troy and Andalusia paved road.

Note: The lands described hereinabove are the same lands heretofore conveyed by Mrs. Donie Heath, a widow, to A.C. Wilson and wife, Ida Mae Wilson, by Warranty Deed dated 11 July 1947 recorded in Deed Book 63 at Page 17 in the Probate Office of Crenshaw County, Alabama, at Luverne, and lands conveyed by W.O. Turman and wife, Annie Joe Turman, to A.C. Wilson, by Warranty Deed dated 25 March 1957, recorded in Deed Book 83 at Page 457 in the Probate Office of Crenshaw County, Alabama, at Luverne.

Said lands lying in Crenshaw County, Alabama.

Said sale is being made for a division of the proceeds of said sale amongst the joint owners and tenants thereof.

DATED this 30th day of December, 1986.

/s/ Jim Ellis
Circuit Clerk, Coffee County

1-8-3tc

LEGAL NOTICE

T&H Contracting Company, Inc. Rt. 2, Box 99, Red Level, Alabama, hereby gives notice that they have completed the contract with The Coffee County Commission, CDBG Project No. CY-D-PF-86-312, for Water Distribution Mains and Appurtenances. January 30, 1987, has been set as date for final settlement. Any claims against this contract should be filed with the offices of the engineer, David Hicks & Associates, P.O. Box 369, Abbeville, Alabama 36310, prior to this date.
1-8-4tp

LEGAL NOTICE

ESTATE OF
DAVID WAYNE WILSON, deceased

PROBATE COURT

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 30th day of December, 1986 by the Hon. Marion B. Brunson Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
/s/ THERESA GAIL WILSON

1-8-3tc

PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Adjustments will hold a Public Hearing Monday, Jan. 19, 1987, at 5:30 p.m. at Elba City Hall to hear a request from Mary Helen and Tommy Robinson that they be allowed to put a mobile home behind their house on Carver Drive.

The property is bound on one side by Gladys and E.J. Yelverton property and on the other side by State Road 203 (Bypass).

The area is zoned R-2.
1-8-2tc

Fully Rigged Bass Boat Top Tournament Prize

Winner of the Second Annual Open Shrine Bass Tournament for the benefit of Crippled Children's Hospitals will be awarded a fully rigged bass boat.

The successful angler in the March 7th and 8th, 1987 event will receive a 15V Hydro Bass Glassstream Bass Boat equipped with trailer, 115 horsepower Mariner outboard motor, electric trolling motor, depth finder and bilge pump, officials of Hasan Shrine Temple of Albany, Ga. have announced. Hasan Shrine Temple sponsors the annual fishing event. Again this year, the tourney will be held on famous Lake Seminole in Southwest Georgia. Shrine officials hope for an even larger number of entries than the 163 anglers who competed in the initial 1986 event. The tournament raised almost $19,000 for the various Shrine Children's Hospitals.

Headquarters for the draw tournament will be at Wingate's Lunker Lodge at Hutchinson Ferry Landing on the Flint River arm of Lake Seminole. Two days of practice prior to the tournament will be permitted. Additional information on the program and entry fees will be announced soon.

Gerald Newberry of Donaldsonville, Ga., won the 1986 tournament boating black bass totaling 33 pounds, 14 ounces in weight. Archie Smith of Bainbridge, Ga., finished second with 22 pounds, 13 ounces. Marvin Young of Tifton, Ga., landed the biggest bass weighing 10 pounds, one ounce.

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***And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write, These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges;

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But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication. So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.
Rev. 2:12-15

***Thinking of you, praying for you: The Shipman family, Rev. Eloise Jackson, Mr. A.L. Fleming, Mrs. Mary L. Gibson, Mrs. Juanita Brooks, Mrs. Estella Owens, Mrs. Mary Jackson.

ATTENTION!

The adjourned Session of the Mulberry District Association will convene Saturday, Jan. 17, at 10 a.m. at the Mulberry District Education Building, Elba, Hwy. 166. Dea. L.E. Burnette is Corresponding Secretary, Rev. J.G. Chatmon is moderator

GOSPEL SING
ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Elba - Jan. 10 - 7 p.m.

Featuring the Jordainaires of Enterprise and the Traveling Stars of Opp.

Sponsors - Elba Zion Senior and Junior Choirs.

Mr. Billie Whitehurst, Plainfield, N.J., visited his father, Mr. T.H. Whitehurst and family, during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Sambo Parker, Voncile and Irene visited Mrs. Aniese Coleman and family during the holidays.

Mrs. Adelaide Blakely and Pamela, Bensalem, Pa., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rayfield Carpenter (Hattie Bell) recently. They also visited the Rocky Head M.B. Church for worship services Dec. 28.

***Mrs. Patricia Hooks Wilson, Hempstead, N.Y., Mrs. Mae Bell McGuire, Doris Fleming and Bobby Warren, all of Enterprise, Grover and Eria Belcher, Elba, visited Mr. and Mrs. Hillre Hooks (Lovie) during Christmas holidays '86.

Lent Beckwith, Necie, Jerry, Tina and Cynthia, and Greg Dorsey, all of Tampa, Fla., were holiday guests of Mrs. Johnie M. Daniels and Mr. Eddie B. Stoudemire, Elba. The Beckwiths are the children of Mrs. Annie Ruth Stoudemire Beckwith, formerly of Elba.

***Mrs. Nadine Daniels and Donnie, Orlando, Fla., visited Mr. and Mrs. R.F. Carpenter and Mr. Tillman Lindsey, Elba, recently.

***Never expect good luck to make up for loafing. Photo News

***The span of life is too short for any man to learn enough to brag about. Photo News

PATRICIA HOOKS WILSON

Mrs. Patricia Hooks Wilson is a lady who displays self-assurance.

She was born in Elba to Hillre and Lovie Belcher Hooks. She is married to Mr. Willie Wilson and they are the parents of three children: Stephanie, Stacy and Stefan.

She is a graduate of Mulberry Heights High School, and is a member of Rocky Head M.B. Church.

After graduation Patricia enrolled at Lady Ethel Beauty School, Panama City, Fla., and Wilford Academy Beauty School, Hempstead, N.Y.

For 21 years she has been an employee of Ademco in New York and a member of Emanuel Baptist Church, Rev. H. Davis, pastor. She is in partnership with Rosie Jones, Lucile Robinson and Sally Jyles in La.-Chaesonette Beauty Salon in Hempstead, N.Y.

To most of us in Elba, Patricia is simply "Trish." She said, "My dream was to become a beautician and cosmetologist, and after my retirement I plan to return to Elba and have my own beauty salon."

We are proud of you Trish. Your dream came true! We look forward to your coming back home!

Happy New Year to you!
ERIA

JANUARY BIRTHDAY DINNER

January 3, at 3 p.m. a bountiful dinner was given honoring the grandchildren of the late Mrs. Emma Caldwell. The honorees all celebrate birthdays in January.

The dinner was in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lue Head (Maggie), Elba,)Brooksville). Miss Peggy McBride was hostess and Mrs. Maggie Head arranged the dinner, table beautifully.

Each honoree brought a covered dish.

The celebrants are:

Trish - Jan. 1; Ed Jr. and Louis (son-in-law) - Jan. 8; Linda - Jan. 9; Peggy - Jan. 10; Jerry - Jan. 15; Frenchell - Jan. 16; Dot - Jan. 20; Maggie (daughter) - Jan. 23; Jimmy - Jan. 25; Stephone - Jan. 26; Robert - Jan. 27; Rosetta and Waymon - Jan. 30; Annie - Jan. 31.

Everyone came early, stayed late and had a good time.

The key to happiness in life lies in unselfishness. Photo News

Theotis Johnson, Tuscumbia; Tyrone and Curtis Kelley treated themselves to a party Dec. 29 in the home of Tyrone and Curtis, Elba.

Potato chips, cookies, punch, candy, gum, brownies, ice cream, pizza and hot dogs were served to the guests they decided to invite: Tiquina Hines, Kim Rideaux, Jana, Curtis, Wesley, Melissa and Brandon Kelley; Kathy Johnson, Tuscumbia, Jason Gulley and Tineka Daniels.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Johnson (Joyce), Kathy and Theo, Tuscumbia, Mr. and Mrs. Milton E. Belcher (Betty) Montgomery, and Warren Belcher, Keesler AFB, Miss., were visitors of Mr. Tillman Lindsey, Ernestine Kelley, Grover and Eria Belcher for Christmas holidays '86!

***I walked a mile with sorrow
And ne'er a word said she;
But oh, the things I learned from her
When sorrow walked with me.
Robert Browning Hamilton

***The sin they do by two and two, they must pay for one by one.
Kipling - Tomlinson

***The Missionary Society of John's Chapel A.M.E. Church, Enterprise, presented the annual Emancipation Proclamation Day program January 1, at 11 a.m. This program was a success in every sense of the word.

Theme: The Status of Afro-American Men and Women In Their Profession.

There were two segments. In Segment I Eria Belcher, Elba, Afro-American Women in Journalism.

Those attending this program from Elba included Grover Belcher, Ernestine Kelley, Vera Williams, Kimberly Kelley, Evelyn Gulley, Roderick Rideaux and Patricia Wilson, Hempstead, N.Y.

The Rocky Head Y.A. Choir rendered three selections. Wiley and Juanita Brooks, Enterprise, are members of the choir and were present at the occasion.

Mrs. Jennie Fleming Hance is coordinator; Mr. Z.I. Fleming Sr., is president, Coffee County Branch NAACP; Rev. Robert G. Balthorpe Jr. is pastor of John's Chapel A.M.E. Church in Enterprise.

Remember --

Love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself -- and pray for me.

Have a good day and God bless!
ERIA

HOSPITAL NEWS

Persons admitted to the Elba General Hospital during the period of December 19 through January 5 include the following:

Robert McCollough, Marilyn Wyatt, Mae Leen Pynes, Linda Senn, Tishie Davis, Teddie Thomas, Evelyn Gulley, Charlene Dodd, Johnnie Allen, Sandy Richardson, Mack Johnson, Joseph Allen Crowe, Marvin Bradshaw, Catherine Hudson, Donny Dickerson, S.R. McCollough, Robert Martin, Carrie Jacobs, Lucille Griffis, Maudie Grant, Murline Manring, Howard Strickland, Mamie Murdock, Fletcher Williams, Fannie Powell, Mattie Lou Johnson, Edward C. Campbell, William Hollinghead, Mary Alice Knox, John Danley, R.B. Edwards, Kathleen Bowman, Frank Perdue, Jimmy Jurasek, Cecil Hall, Sharon Cowen, Robbie Barefoot, Collin McClellan.

Those discharged during the same period of time include:

Zeanus Hudson, Karen Falls, Marilyn Wyatt, Grady Floyd, Earl Ray Kyle, Thomas Moates, Cynthia Hutchison, Jimmy Young, Janear Barnes, Helen Kirkland, Laura Vasbinder, Mae Leen Pynes, Edward Eddins, Ciji Blue, Joseph Crowe, Sandy Richardson, Evelyn Gulley, Charlene Dodd, Catherine Hudson, Tedie Thomas, Johnnie Allen, Murline Manring, Donny Dickerson, Carrie Jacobs, Robert Martin, Fletcher Williams, Lucille Griffis, S.R. McCollough, Maudie Grant, Edward C. Campbell, John Danley, William Hollinghead.

Health Notes FOR OLDER ADULTS

MENOPAUSE

Menopause is only one stage in a woman's life, but an important one. It means simply that menstruation stops due to the loss of estrogen production from the ovaries. When this happens, the production of eggs also stops, and a woman is no longer fertile. Menopause is said to occur when a woman has not had a period for over one year. On the average, women experience menopause at about age 50.

Because of the hormonal change in a woman's body, the menopausal years can be upsetting — physically, mentally and emotionally. Just how upsetting may be determined by the rate estrogen production decreases. Other factors include stress, status of relationships with family and friends, whether or not a woman has had a well-balanced life and support of family, friends and the personal physician.

Irregular periods are often the first sign of approaching menopause. Other symptoms include hot flashes, night sweats and loss of sleep which may lead to irritability, nervousness and difficulty in concentrating. Menopause may also result in bone brittleness, causing more susceptibility to fracture. Vaginal dryness and discomfort during sexual intercourse may also be experienced. Breast tenderness, fluid retention, palpitations, aches, weakness, stiffness, weight gain, wrinkles, constipation, depression, vaginal shrinking and hair growth are other conditions experienced by some women.

To help control the symptoms of menopause or at least make this phase of life easier, eat well-balanced, nutritious meals; exercise regularly; strive to keep an ideal weight; see a doctor for regular checkups; and most importantly, be good to yourself — treat yourself regularly to whatever makes you happy and keep a positive mental outlook.

When you begin experiencing menopause or pre-menopause symptoms, consult your personal physician, or more specifically, a gynecologist, a physician who specializes in treatment of a woman's reproductive system.

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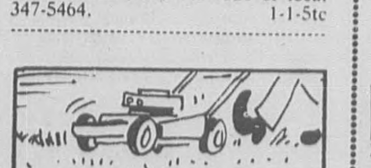

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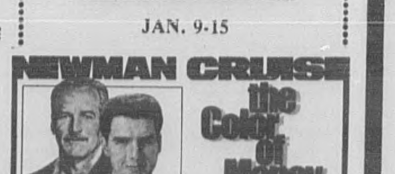

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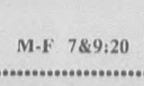

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ELBA CITY SCHOOLS
JANUARY 12 - 15

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Breakfast - Sausage, Toast/Jelly, Juice, Milk
Lunch - Hamburger on Bun; Lettuce, Tomato, Dill, Onions, Potato Tots, Baked Beans, Peach Cup, Milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast - Honey Bun, Juice, Milk
Lunch - Oven Ready Fish, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Cake, Milk, Bread

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast - Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch - Hot Dog with Chili, French Fries - Catsup, Baked Beans, Pudding, Milk

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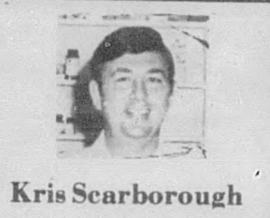
Breakfast - Cereal, Juice, Milk
Lunch - Stew Beef with Vegetables, Rice, Cole Slaw, Cheese, Rolls, Milk



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During the six weeks of training the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs, and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the community college of the Air Force.

ROTC Drill Team To Perform At Inaugural Parade In Montgomery

The Enterprise ROTC Drill Team will represent Coffee County at the governor's inaugural parade in Montgomery January 19.

The amount of $350 is needed for the team to make the trip, and persons desiring to make donations may do so by sending to:

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Health Department Urges Tetanus Immunization

The Alabama Department of Public Health urges all persons to be immunized against tetanus (lockjaw) because when symptoms develop after exposure the prognosis is poor, with the tatality rate averaging about 60 percent.

Availability of immunization has reduced the prevalence of this neurologic disease, but is has not been eliminated. Three cases have been reported to the Health Department this year. For children tetanus immunization is usually administered in combination with that for diptheria and ,pertussis or with diptheria if pertussis vaccine is not given. After the basic series of four doses has been completed, a single booster shot maintains a high level of immunity. Children 7 years old or older as well as adults not previously immunized should receive the adult-type tetanus and diptheria toxoids. Three doses administered at prescribed intervals with a booster every 10 years maintains complete immunization.

Tetanus is caused by bacteria entering the body at a serious wound or a deep puncture which often is contaminated by dirt, feces, soil, saliva and such. It is not transmitted from one person to another. Tetanus is an acute disease which is characterized by severe muscular spasms in the lower jaw and neck and then in the trunk. Abdominal rigidity or stiffness and inflexibility in the region of the injury are suggestive of tetanus. Onset of the disease is gradual and progresses to severe generalized muscle spasms. For those who survive recovery is also gradual. The symptoms of tetanus resemble those of several diseases and should not be ignored. Incubation time varies usually from three to 21 days with an average of about 10 days; but it can range from one day to several months, depending on the character, extent and location of the wound. Shorter incubation periods are primarily associated with more heavily contaminated wounds, more severe disease and worse prognosis.

Age of the patient, length of incubation and the therapy influence the fatality rate which varies from 30 percent to 90 percent. Adequate, up-to-date immunization as a preventive measure is most effective. Advise the attending physician or nurse of your tetanus immunization record if you have an injury so that the correct decision can be made about whether a tetanus shot is needed.

Alabama's warm climate is conducive to development of tetanus. Backyard gardens which are often the site of animal excreta can be hazardous if a person is inadequately immunized because a wound may not seem serious enough to seek medical attention. Drug addits are also at risk.

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THE ELBA CLIPPER

NURSING HOME SPOTLIGHT

With Shirley Wise

The end of the very first week in January, 1987 - January 8, to be exact - our Very Special Person at the Elba Nursing Home is Mr. Robert Richardson, whom we will meet and get to know as seen through the eyes of love of his daughter, Mrs. Clora Belle Perry, who so kindly and graciously gave us the following information about her father.

In fact Miss Clora Belle was even kind and gracious when we called her sorta late one night (even though it was to us the "Hank of the evening," due to insomnia), and she was asleep. But she answered our questions courteously and patiently and assured us it was alright.

In appearance and personality, Mr. Robert is a rather small man with black/gray hair, who has a pleasant, calm countenance and tranquil personality. He is a quiet person who hardly ever says anything.

Miss Clora Belle told us that her father was born June 24, 1905, thereby making him 81 years old. He was born in Jackson County, Fla., in the town of Campbellton. His parents were Ed and Matilda Richardson, and Mr. Ed was a farmer.

Mr. Robert is one of four children - three boys and one girl - of whom one is deceased. The deceased brother is **Jewell Richardson,** who was married to Carrie, and was a shoe shiner living in Dothan. He was the father of four children.

Mr. Robert's only sister is **Mrs. Letty Hall,** a resident of Cottondale, Fla. Miss Letty was married to Booker T. Hall, now deceased. He worked with the railroad. Miss Letty is retired and the mother of five children.

The other brother of Mr. Robert, **Spencer Richardson,** who makes his home in Campbellton, Fla. He is married to the former Lillie Mae Bailey and is retired from a lumber yard. He and his wife are the parents of three children.

Mr. Robert was married to the former Essie B. Curry, a Campbellton native, and the daughter of John and Hattie Curry.

She had two brothers and one sister, of whom one brother is deceased - J.C. The remaining brother and sister are Bruce Jestice and Thelma Soury.

Mr. Robert is the father of four children - two daughters and two sons: They are:

Mrs. Clora Belle Perry, whom we mentioned earlier and with whom we talked. She resides on Rt. 4, Elba, and is an employee of Conagra. She is the mother of eight children and grandmother of nine.

Eddie Richardson, who resides in Cranford, N.J., with his wife,the former Jean Bellamy. Eddie is a mechanic and Jean is a homemaker. They have two children and two grandchildren.

James A. Richardson, who resides in Campbellton, Fla., with his wife, the former Gladys Holley. Mr. James is retired and Miss Gladys is a homemaker. They are the parents of four chidlren, and have three grandchildren.

Lois Pittman, who resides in Cottondale, Fla., with her husband, Matthew James Pittman. Miss Lois is employed with a sewing factory and Mr. Matthew works with the railroad. They have one child and three grandchildren.

The 15 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren lovingly call Mr. Robert "Granddaddy."

Miss Clora Belle said her father had been a farmer in his early years and later worked as a janitor at a poultry plant in Cottondale. She said he had "worked hard all his life and he's known hard times."

This is so typical, and to me,.a sad but true commentary on the lives of so many of our older generation. Almost to a man (and woman), they have all worked hard all their lives, hard work and responsibility being almost all they've ever known.

I'd like to take this opportunity to salute our older loved ones - we owe them so much!

Almost every time we go somewhere, I remind my three of the early settlers who had to cut the trees - **big** trees - (by hand - no electric saws) - before they could even travel anywhere in their covered wagons. And almost every time I yank a paper towel from the holder, I think of times when there were no luxuries such as these; when I walk into a room and flip a switch and presto - instant light; when I go to the grocery store and pick up a nice, already-plucked-and-packaged chicken, I thank my lucky stars (and the good Lord) that I don't have to go outside in the yard, like I remember seeing my "Big Mama" do and wring some poor unlucky chicken's neck. If we still had to do that, 'fraid my folks wouldn't be eating much fried chicken at our house.

To paraphrase the words of a song, "The times they are a changin'," - "The times - they **have** changed!"

Aren't we lucky - to be living in America with all our freedoms and privileges? I wonder why we abuse our good fortune so! Harming our minds and bodies with alcohol and drugs; numbing and poisoning our brains and morals with the "boob tube," movies, magazines, and books; the day of the easy, quick divorce; the "me first" attitude so prevalent in today's society; fighting and killing among our fellowman and even ourselves; and our aberrant lifestyles!

Mr. Robert Richardson

Reckon it could be because most of us **don't** know what hard work and hard times are - like Mr. Robert knew? We don't stay busy enough? After all, remember the old adage - "Idle hands are the devil's workshop"? And, could it be, perhaps, because sometimes we leave God out of our lives?

Oh well --

Getting back to Mr. Robert -

Miss Clora Belle tells us that he is a Methodist and is a member of the Henshaw Methodist Chapel which is located in Cottondale, Fla.

He was admitted to the nursing home October 29, 1985, after leaving his home in Cottondale and living with Miss Clora Bell approximately a year before entering the nursing home.

His roommate is the interesting gentleman we met just last week in this column, Mr. Wilbur Grimes.

Roses are Mr. Robert's favorite flower; blue or black his favorite colors; Christmas his favorite holiday; favorite season - summer; favorite food - "something sweet - he loved anything sweet to eat. He used to love "doobie pie."

When I asked Miss Clora Belle what "doobie pie" was, she replied, "Nowadays, people call them cobblers - you know, just drop dumplings in blackberries, peaches, things like that. He also liked fresh vegetables, such as peas."

When I asked his hobby, quickly and laughingly she replied, "hunting!" And when I inquired as to "hunting what?" she said, "Anything - coons, possums, squirrels, rabbits - just hunting, period! He had a coon dog and a possum dog. He ate what he killed; we all did, except I never ate any possum."

We asked Miss Clora Belle to describe her father and she said the following nice things about him:

"He was a strict father, but a good one. He used to whip us -- you know, back long ago, the daddies did the whipping and disciplining of the children. He was sort of a quiet person - went to church regularly. He was a good man - and a very hard worker."

We have enjoyed meeting Mr. Robert via his daughter, Miss Clora Belle, and hope that you have also.

Start the new year off right - share yourself! Visit the nursing home soon!

*****Birthdays:**

Happy birthday to a very special gentleman this week who no longer resides in the nursing home, but to whom we'd like to extend best wishes anyway -- Mr. Cary Clark, whose birthday was Jan. 4.

*****Thought for the Week:**

I'd like to share two thoughts which I personally find appropriate for the new year concerning the resolutions we make (and break!) and the comparison that this new year and life itself is a "risky business," but in the end "all is well" if one knows "The Master."

Change is an easy thing to decide and a difficult thing to do. It is the day-to-day struggle of it that defeats people **Anonymous**

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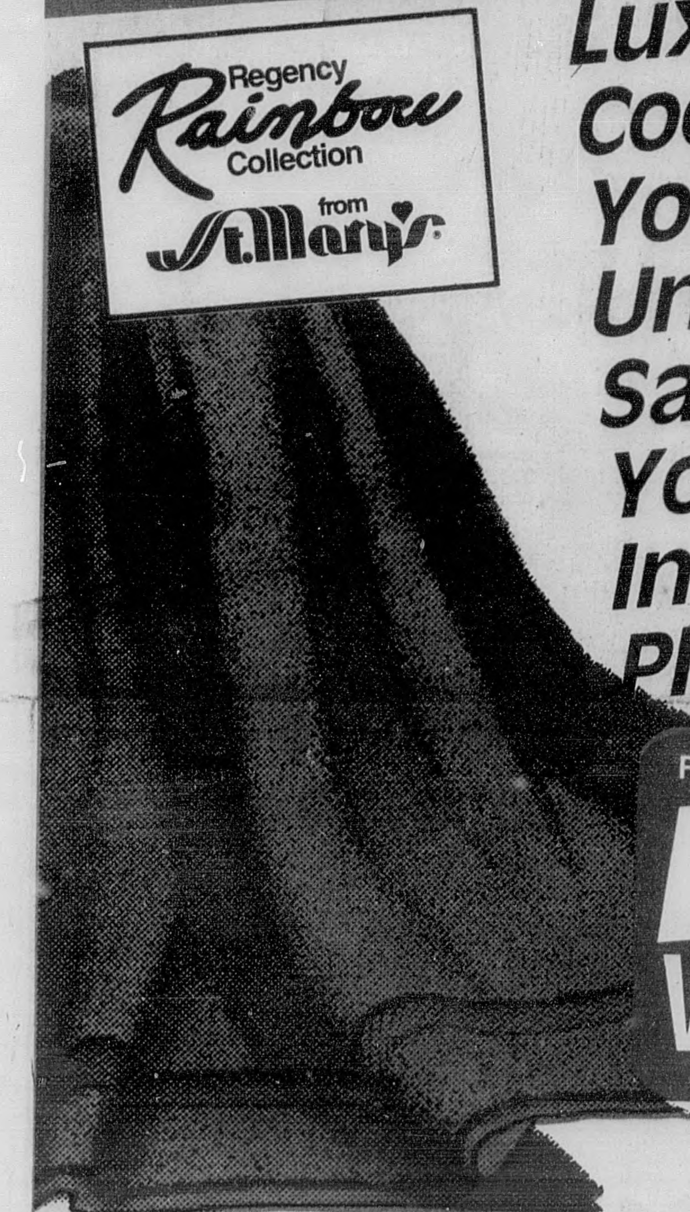

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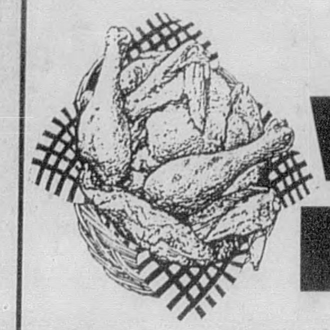

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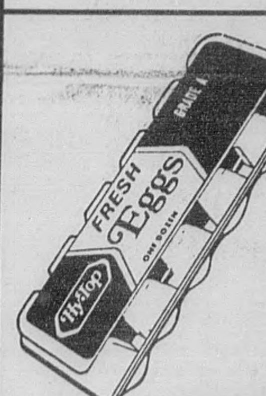

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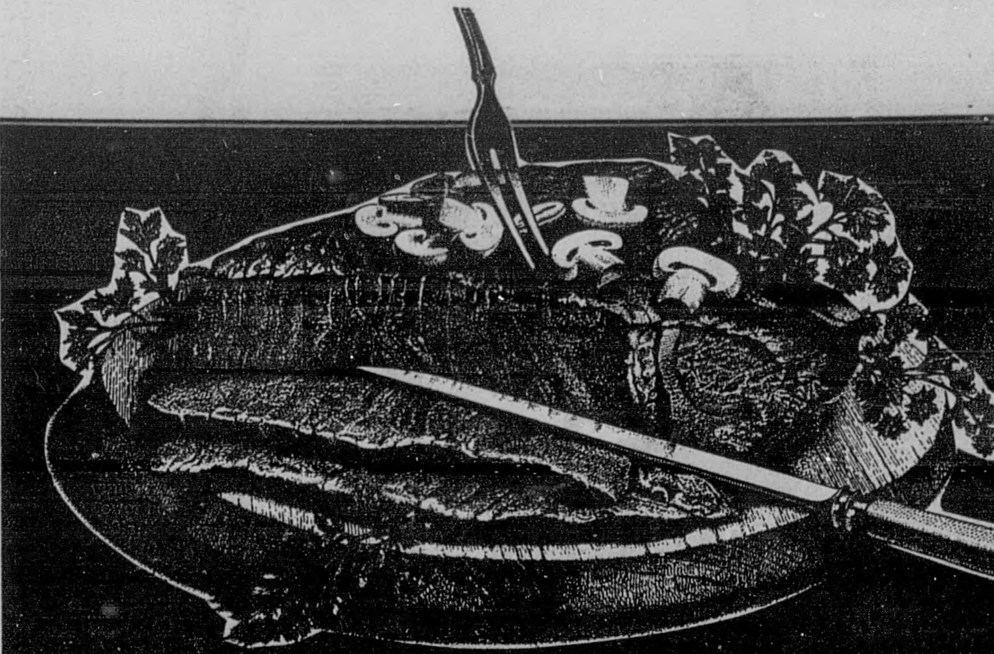

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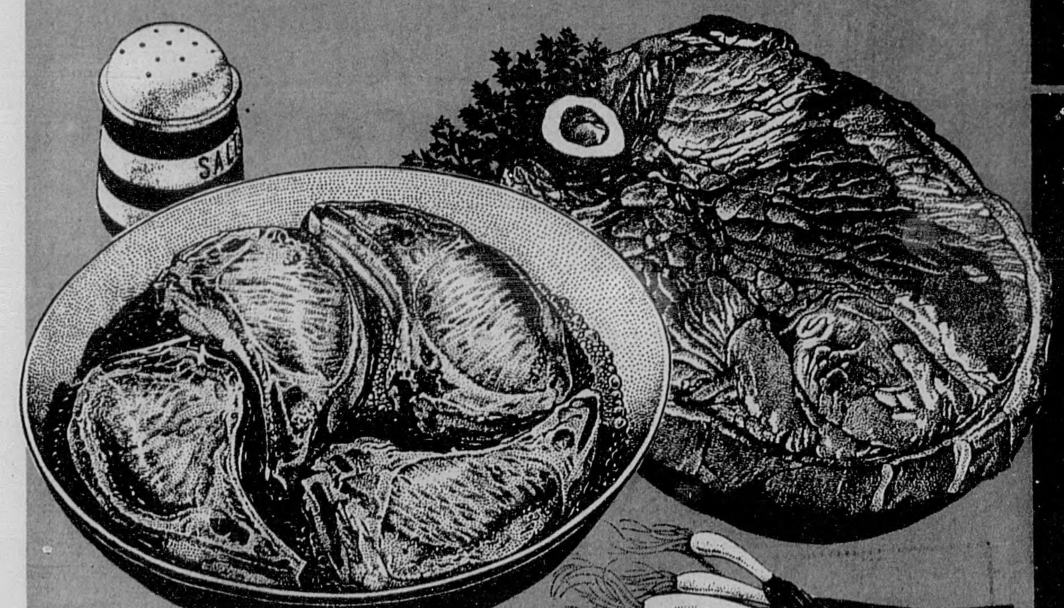

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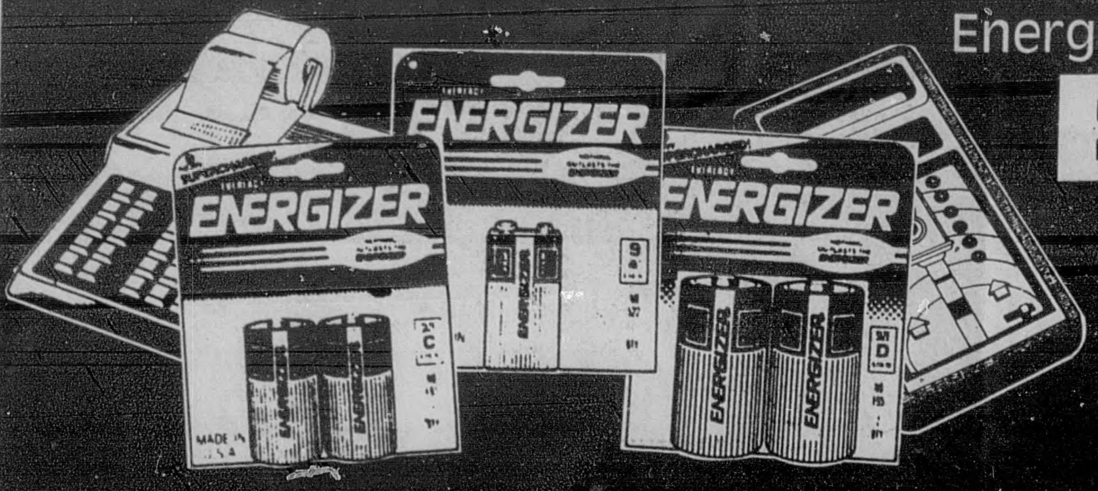

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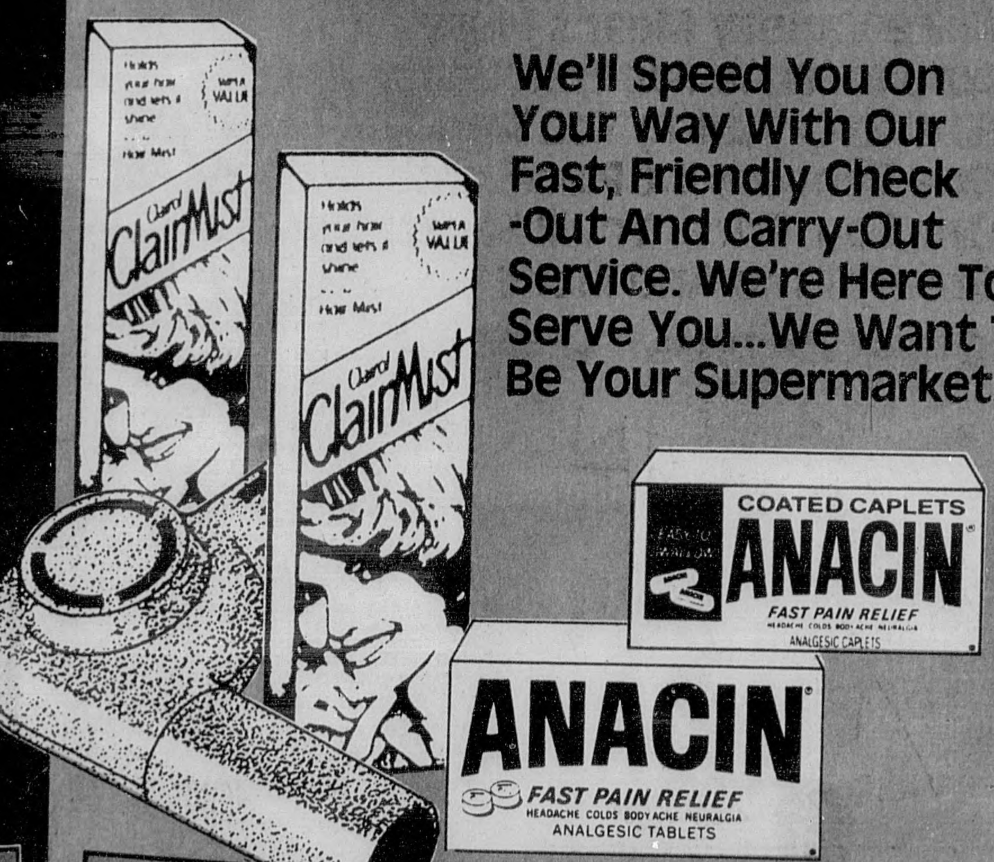

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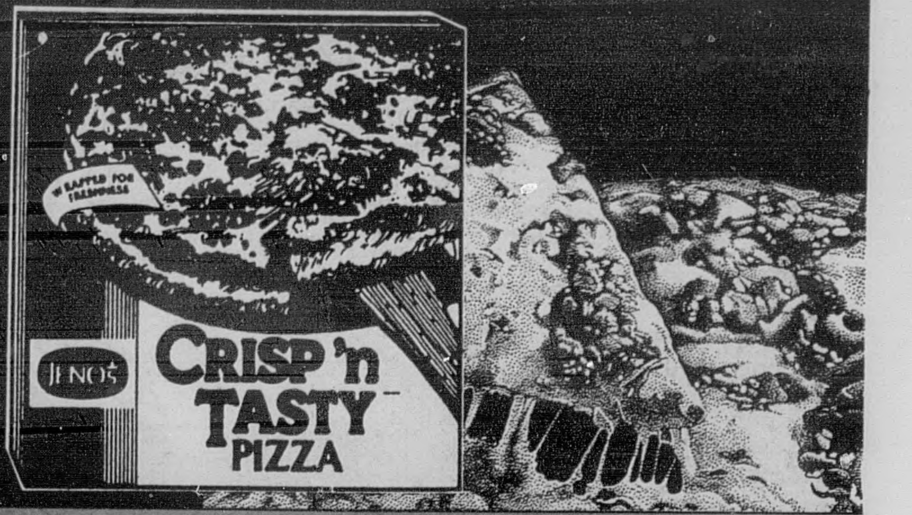

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GOV. WALLACE RECEIVES RESIGNATION . . . Gov. George Wallace is pictured above accepting District Judge Gary McAliley's letter of resignation on Friday, Jan. 9. LeeAnn McAliley, age 7, is presenting Wallace with the letter while Megan, age 2, watches from her father's arms. Also pictured at far right is new District Judge Thomas Head, who was appointed to the post upon McAliley's resignation. McAliley will assume the post of circuit judge on Jan. 18.

Tom Head appointed as new district judge for Coffee County

Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace announced last week that he had appointed Thomas E. Head, age 38, of Elba, as the new district judge for Coffee County to serve the remaining two years of the term of Judge Gary McAliley, who will assume the post of circuit judge.

Head, who has served as assistant district attorney since 1981, will assume the judgeship at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, and serve as district judge during the two years remaining on the term, after which a judge will be elected to fill a full six-year term on the bench.

The new judge is a native of Covington County and attended Auburn University before entering the banking profession in Montgomery. He returned to college to seek a law degree and received the degree in 1979 from the Alabama School of Law.

Head began his practice in Elba and worked in private practice with Gareth Lindsey for two years. While in private practice, he worked part-time with the Coffee County district attorney, and in 1981 accepted a position as a full-time assistant.

"It will be extremely difficult to fill Judge McAliley's shoes," stated Head, "because I cannot think of anyone more dedicated to his post. Judge McAliley works longer and harder than anyone in a similar position, and I will just do my best to serve the people of Coffee County to the best of my ability.

"I made the commitment many years ago to serve the public," added Head, "and I view this appointment with mixed emotions. I have enjoyed very much working with District Attorney Joel Folmar and his staff over the past five years and hope we can continue to have an enjoyable working relationship in the years to come."

"There is no doubt in my mind that in two years Tom Head will be named Alabama's 'Judge of the Year,' " stated Judge McAliley. "He is the type person who will work hard and make all the people of Coffee County proud of him."

McAliley says Hunt broke promise

Circuit Judge-elect Gary McAliley's sudden decision to resign his post as district judge during the closing days of Gov. George Wallace's administration apparently came after rumblings from the state capitol that Gov.-elect Guy Hunt would choose only a Republican to fill the remaining two years of the judgeship if given the opportunity.

McAliley, who resigned effective Jan. 19, at 2 p.m., delivered his letter of resignation to Gov. Wallace on Friday, Jan. 9, and gave immediate approval to Wallace's pick of Tom Head to fill McAliley's term as district judge for Coffee County.

Judge McAliley indicated weeks ago that he would not resign the judgeship earlier than necessary to allow incoming Gov. Guy Hunt to fill the vacancy; however, published reports over the weekend quoted McAliley as stating he took the action after Hunt broke his "gentlemen's agreement."

In a reported letter to Hunt following his election as governor, Judge McAliley wrote, "You promised if you were allowed to make the appointment, the person selected by you would not be chosen because he or she is a Republican or a Democrat, but solely because he or she is the most qualified person for the job . . . . In turn, I stated if you would keep that promise I would not step down or vacate my office as Coffee County district judge early."

In a meeting recently Hunt reportedly told McAliley that filling the judgeship would not be based on party unities and again pledged to appoint the most qualified person to the post.

McAliley stated however that in the past week he received information that Hunt had in fact committed to an appointee prior to interviewing the potential candidates, which were believed to be Thomas E. Haigh, the reported choice of the head of the Coffee County Republican Party, and Tom Head, the choice of area law enforcement officials.

McAliley stated he was concerned about the reports and contacted three members of Hunt's administration in an attempt to find out if the rumors had substance. The trio apparently stated the governor would only appoint a Republican, and McAliley later confirmed the reports when Hunt told Head to guarantee him that if appointed he would seek re-election as a Republican in two years.

McAliley reportedly told Hunt, "This is a violation of our agreement," and stated that if Hunt continued to display such an attitude, arrangements would be made to step down early if Gov. Wallace agreed to appoint Head.

"Being a Democrat or Republican is not the best qualification for someone to be named a judge," stated McAliley, "and I know in my heart that I could not step down early if a person would be appointed simply because they might be the only Republican lawyer in the county. My concern is for the people of Coffee County and there is no doubt in my mind I did what was in the best interest for all of Coffee County.

"I have worked with Assistant District Attorney Tom Head for a number of years and he works long and hard and is a family man and a religious man -- the kind of man the people of Coffee County can be proud to have as their judge," McAliley said.

Comm. Bryan fails in attempts to change numerous county policies

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, Jan. 12, at the courthouse in Elba and heard Commissioner Jimmy Bryan propose numerous changes in the operation of various county departments, including the parking of almost the entire fleet of county vehicles upon the completion of each working day.

Commissioner Bryan stated the county couldn't afford to have all the vehicles on the road unnecessarily and made a motion to have all county vehicles parked at the courthouse or county shop at the end of each work day except the vehicle assigned to the county engineer and the sheriff.

Bryan added that any deputy on duty would be allowed to keep his vehicle after routine working hours, but when the deputy wasn't on duty the vehicle should be parked.

Commissioner Bill Faulk stated he felt the idea had its merit, but suggested the plan be studied further before being implemented to prevent a change in policy at a later date.

Bryan repeated his feeling on the matter and declared the commission's original plan to park the vehicles would have worked had the commission not given in to outside pressure.

Bryan, Billy Eagerton and Eugene Bradley voted in favor of the motion, while commissioners Faulk, Averett, Stephens and Crittenden all voted against the motion, to kill the proposed plan.

The commission agreed there was a problem of misuse of county vehicles and agreed to study the problem and have vehicles parked that weren't needed in emergency situations.

After the subject of county vehicles quieted down, Commissioner Bryan again took the floor and stated, "The ratio of foremen to laborers in the county is ridiculous!" He stated all employees should be able to do their jobs well enough to merit their salaries and if they couldn't do so without direct supervision they should be either terminated or downgraded to a lower position.

The county engineer stated the county had not increased the number of foremen in the highway department since he had been employed and expressed the opinion that supervision was needed in many instances.

The commission discussed Bryan's proposal, but the idea seemed to lack support from the start and no motion was introduced to change any policy concerning Bryan's statement.

Refusing to let the earlier setbacks silence him, Commissioner Bryan again took the floor and this time made a motion that all pay raises of county employees be approved by the commission, including raises granted due to the reclassification of an employee.

Bryan stated that while the practice of giving raises was outlined in the county's employee manual, employees that were reclassified received raises and the practice should be reviewed by the commission.

County engineer Mac Rushing stated that under the Unit System the county engineer had the authority to hire and fire employees as well as grant raises and change classifications of employees as long as he remains within the boundaries of the budget approved by the commission.

Bryan withdrew his motion and then made another motion to study the county's pay scale for all employees and adopt a new scale that would be followed for all newly employed workers. This motion died due to lack of a second.

Monday's bi-monthly meeting began at 9 a.m. with all commissioners present, and after the routine approval of minutes of the previous meeting, county engineer Mac Rushing gave the commission an update on various projects underway.

Rushing reported the highway department was:
***trying to catch up with grading the dirt roads in the county following the heavy rains during the holidays;
***preparing to start on replacing a bridge located near the Brooklyn Community;
***progressing with cutting using the boom cutter in District 4, installing pipe at a Soil Conservation project and working on culverts on County Road 77.

Commissioner Jimmy Bryan told the engineer that the Shoal Creek Road was listed third on the county's priority list in 1972 and scheduled for paving, but the paving had never been done, and during recent rains the residents of the road couldn't even get to their homes.

Bryan requested that the road be surveyed for future reference and that the survey be completed as soon as possible to enable farmers to know where the county right-of-way lines were located before the planting season arrived.

The commission voted to pass a resolution that would give incoming commissioners in 1989 a $5,000 raise in salary. The current commission receives an expense allowance in the amount of $5,400 per year and the commissioners were all quick to point out that when the new commission takes office in 1989 the expense allowance would no longer be in effect, which means the commissioners in 1989 would actually receive $400 less than the current commissioners, which receive a salary of $15,000.

In other action at Monday's meeting the commission:
***discussed the problem at the Victoria gully and agreed to work on the gully as soon as possible;
***agreed to do surveying and soil testing for a new field house to be constructed at Zion Chapel High School with state funds;
***voted to place county decals on all county vehicles except those used for investigation by the sheriff's department;
***heard the president of a Montgomery computer firm question why the probate office had not sent out invitations to bid on data processing work as done in the past;
***approved a 29c-per-hour raise for all employees hired prior to Oct. 1 and those that had not received a previous raise amounting to 29c per hour since the Oct. 1 deadline;
***transferred $24,000 from the Road and Bridge Fund to cover the raises granted to highway department employees;
***agreed to borrow $113,000 from SouthTrust Bank of Coffee County to pay for a new trash compactor in use at the county landfill (the money to be used in making the monthly payments is included in the landfill's budget);

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Judges to be sworn-in Jan.19

The public is cordially invited to attend the swearing-in ceremonies of Circuit Judge Gary L. McAliley and District Judge Thomas E. Head on Monday, Jan. 19, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Enterprise Civic Center.

Entertainment will be provided by the No-Name Band.

Board makes construction plans for high school

The Elba City School Board met Thursday, Jan. 8, amid news that for the first time in months they had money enough to pay the bills plus some to start the next month. The excitement was dampened, however, when some board members were told the extra money was property tax funds that came mostly in December and January and must last for the next 12 months.

The property tax money was running slightly above the same period last year by $4,193.44, Supt. Bill Crews told the board.

The school should begin receiving the proceeds from the new 1-cent countywide sales tax this month, with the first check expected by Jan. 15.

The board officially approved the schedule of holidays to allow for President's Day on Feb. 16. It had been misprinted on an early release of holidays.

Crews reported that contracts had been signed on the new music building and the paperwork was in Montgomery for approval. He also noted plans for repair of the roof on the gym dressing rooms had been approved for an estimated $40,000. Plans were being prepared for bidding, he noted.

Also, the superintendent announced the receipt of $65,000 of vocational money for repairs or purchase of certain equipment. He said vocational teachers were submitting their "want list" for this fund.

The board went into executive session and returned to vote unanimously to extend the contract of Supt. Crews for another two years. The contract was scheduled to expire in June. His salary remains the same.

Elba council meeting is brief

The Elba City Council met briefly Monday afternoon at 5 p.m. It took less than 15 minutes to conduct the regular business.

Police Chief John White reported two officers were in school: Wesley Devane is in the police academy in Montgomery while John Rollins is in Selma at the intoximeter school.

The Healthcare Authority of Elba (hospital board) requested a retroactive correction of the minutes of March, 1985. This officially appointed Clayton Hickman and Virgil Coleman to full six-year terms to the board. This was done unanimously.

Bills totaling $6,576.69 were approved by the council after Mayor Bob English noted this was the lowest amount of the bills for any month since he had been mayor. Of this amount, $2075 was for gas and oil to be used by the city and the utility department.

County School Board adopts corporal punishment policy

The Coffee County Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting Monday night, Jan. 12, in Elba and approved a corporal punishment policy that will go into effect at all three county schools when students report to class on Feb. 2.

County Supt. Clayton Bryant stated the new policy would protect teachers and the system from possible liability, and consisted of four changes to the current policy. The changes include a mandatory notification to parents, an agreement that the form of punishment will not be the first line of punishment, the requirement that any corporal punishment must take place with the principal or assistant principal in attendance, and that the instrument used be the appropriate size based on the size, age and sex of the student.

Teachers present at the board meeting agreed that the policy change would protect the teachers from legal action and also felt the teachers in the system would approve the policy, but felt they needed to have the authority to paddle a student if necessary.

The meeting began at 7 p.m. and following a 45-minute executive session to discuss a personnel problem, it was opened to the public, and the board tackled a lengthy agenda.

After handling the routine matters of approving minutes of the previous meeting and payment of bills, the board reviewed proposals from the banks in the county wishing to be used as the system's depository. Four of the county's five banking institutions offered proposals, and after careful examination the board voted to use SouthTrust Bank of Coffee County as the depository, due to the numerous savings offered by the bank.

Supt. Bryant reported on the construction and renovation projects planned in the county and stated the plans for renovating the restrooms at New Brockton and repairing the roofs at New Brockton and Kinston had been submitted to the state for final approval and expected bids to be let in the near future.

The construction of additional physical education dressing rooms at Zion Chapel was also discussed and the board was told actual construction was set to begin in the spring, while additional projects included renovating bathrooms at Kinston and Zion Chapel, upgrading heating and cooling at both the schools, and the continuing efforts to identify other problem areas.

Zion Chapel High School band director David Seanor was at the meeting and told the members that the Zion Chapel band was in its ninth year of existence and that the uniforms were the same ones the band started with, making them eight years old. Seanor reported the

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